

House Resolution 18EX

By: Representative Powell of the 32nd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Billy E. Ethridge; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens
3 with the passing of Billy E. Ethridge, on November 4, 2018; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Billy E. Ethridge, was born on April 6, 1936, in Hartwell, Georgia, a beloved
5 son of Joe Harley and Artis Hembree "Bell" Ethridge; and
- 6 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Billy was an active member of the Cornerstone
7 Baptist Church; and
- 8 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to his wife, Janie, and was blessed with
9 three remarkable children, Debra, Lydia, and Stacey; four wonderful grandchildren; six
10 spectacular great-grandchildren; and three amazing great-great-grandchildren; and
- 11 WHEREAS, he was dedicated to the City of Hartwell, serving as a city councilmember for
12 a collective total of 16 years and also serving as a volunteer firefighter for the community;
13 and
- 14 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern
15 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his
16 family and friends were admired by others; and
- 17 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
18 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example he made of his life, he
19 made this world a better place in which to live; and
- 20 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Billy will long be remembered for his love
21 of family and friendship and will be missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing him.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
23 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Billy E. Ethridge and
24 express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
26 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
27 family of Billy E. Ethridge.