House Resolution 233 By: Representative Powell of the 32<sup>nd</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life and memory of William Ray Morgan Sr.; 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 William Ray Morgan Sr. on January 27, 2021; and

WHEREAS, William Ray Morgan Sr. was born in Anderson, South Carolina, a beloved son
of John and Ara Morgan; and

6 WHEREAS, a pillar of Canon, Georgia, he dedicated his time, talents, and energy toward the
7 betterment of his community, as evidenced by his superlative service as a Canon City
8 councilmember and the mayor of Canon; and

9 WHEREAS, in his time as a public servant, he made innumerable improvements to Canon's
10 infrastructure, recreational facilities, water facilities, and street improvements, and many
11 other mayors recognized his strong leadership and welcoming personality; and

WHEREAS, he worked diligently and devoted much of his life to improving the lives of
others in his community and inspiring them to pursue their goals and build better lives for
themselves; and

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15 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith who witnessed Christ through word and deed,

16 he was an active member of Canon Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to his wife, Wanda, and was blessed with
seven remarkable children, Timothy, William Jr., Cullen, Faith, David, Jimmy, and Danny;
ten wonderful grandchildren, Angel, Dillon, Hannah, Amber, Marlee, Brandon, James,
Megan, Matthew, and Connor; and six incredible great-grandchildren, Chloe, Margo-Lynn,

21 McKinley, Gunner, Grayson, and Maddox; and

22 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern

23 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his

24 family and friends were admired by others; and

25 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation

26 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example he made of his life, he

27 made this world a better place in which to live; and

WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, William Ray Morgan Sr. will long be remembered for his love of family, friendship, and community and will be missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing him.

## 31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that

32 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of William Ray Morgan Sr.

33 and express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

- 34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 35 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
- 36 family of William Ray Morgan Sr.