

House Resolution 387

By: Representatives Gambill of the 15th and Scoggins of the 14th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life and memory of Gene R. Tilley; 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 Gene R. Tilley on August 10, 2023; and

4 WHEREAS, after graduating from Cartersville High School in 1951, Gene R. Tilley attended
5 the University of Georgia and the Woodrow Wilson School of Law; he worked from a very
6 young age and was cherished by his loved ones as a visionary who could design and build
7 almost anything; and

8 WHEREAS, a lifelong resident of Bartow County, Georgia, he immersed himself in
9 improving transportation, promoting economic development, providing leadership in
10 banking, and promoting technical schools and colleges; and

11 WHEREAS, he was cherished by his peers and colleagues for his service as chairman of the
12 Cartersville-Bartow County Chamber of Commerce and was highly respected throughout the
13 state by business leaders and elected officials alike for his dedicated work ethic; and

14 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to his wife, Reba, and was blessed with
15 three outstanding children, Beth, Bert, and Ben, as well as one remarkable granddaughter,
16 Liza; and

17 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, he was an active member of Faith United
18 Methodist Church; and

19 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern
20 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his
21 family and friends were admired by others; and

22 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Gene R. Tilley will long be remembered
23 for his love of family, friendship, and community and will be missed by all who had the great
24 fortune of knowing him.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
26 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Gene R. Tilley and express
27 their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
29 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
30 family of Gene R. Tilley.