

House Resolution 451

By: Representative Burns of the 159<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring and celebrating the life of President James Earl Carter Jr.; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the longest living president in American history at 98 years old, President James  
3 Earl Carter Jr. entered hospice care on February 18, 2023, forgoing further medical treatment  
4 and returning to rest at his home in Plains, Georgia; and
- 5 WHEREAS, President Carter was born on October 1, 1924, in Plains to James Earl Carter  
6 Sr. and Lillian Gordy Carter; and
- 7 WHEREAS, during his distinguished term as the 39th President of the United States, he  
8 fought to restore trust in the federal government following the Vietnam War and the  
9 Watergate scandal, ushering in transformative political reforms and negotiating important  
10 matters such as the Camp David accords, which stand to this day as the basis of Middle East  
11 relations; and
- 12 WHEREAS, he previously served as the 76th governor of the great State of Georgia from the  
13 years of 1971 to 1975, where he became known for his progressive economic and social  
14 policies, which emphasized ecology, efficiency in government, and the removal of racial  
15 barriers; and

16 WHEREAS, in 1982, he became a distinguished university professor at Emory University  
17 in Atlanta, Georgia, and founded The Carter Center, a nonpartisan nonprofit organization that  
18 works to resolve conflict, promote democracy, protect human rights, and fight disease and  
19 other afflictions; and

20 WHEREAS, President Carter is a Nobel Peace Prize recipient for his work to find peaceful  
21 solutions to international conflicts, to advance democracy and human rights, and to promote  
22 economic and social development; and

23 WHEREAS, we honor President Carter for his leadership at home and worldwide as a  
24 reflective, compassionate, and humble leader.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
26 the members of this body celebrate the outstanding and longstanding accomplishments of  
27 President James Earl Carter Jr.; show appreciation for his dedication to the State of Georgia,  
28 the United States, and the world; and extend the most sincere best wishes for good health and  
29 happiness.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
31 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the  
32 family of President James Earl Carter Jr.