

House Resolution 570

By: Representatives Jasperse of the 11th and Ballinger of the 23rd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Larry Toney; 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 Larry Toney; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Larry Toney has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the vital
5 role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the
6 citizens of Georgia; and
- 7 WHEREAS, he diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,
8 talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced
9 dramatically by his superlative service in Pickens County; and
- 10 WHEREAS, he was committed to good government and worked consistently to put together
11 like-minded people to improve Pickens County; and
- 12 WHEREAS, State Representative Rick Jasperse said, "Larry's consistently positive message
13 of good government and Republican ideas made a lasting impression on me. His
14 involvement on every level of government has improved Pickens County. Alma and Larry's
15 smiles and open arms have made many of us who were new to the political process
16 welcome."; and
- 17 WHEREAS, U.S. Congressman Tom Graves said, "Larry and Alma have been dear friends
18 to many over the years, but especially generous and gracious to me, Julie, and our family.
19 I will miss Larry's wit, his laughter, and his famously unpredictable introductions. He has
20 done what we all aspire to do. Larry has left his mark. He loved his family, maximized life,
21 all the while impacting lives in a positive way."; and

22 WHEREAS, he was an enthusiast promoter of his alma mater, Georgia Tech, and was on the
23 advisory board; and

24 WHEREAS, he led the Pickens County Republican Party with enthusiasm and steadfast
25 resolve, was an active member of the Pickens County Boys and Girls Club, a founding
26 member of the Community Thrift Store that funded the Community of Care in Pickens
27 County, and a long-time member of the Piedmont Mountainside Hospital Board; and

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

31 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
32 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example he made of his life, he
33 made this world a better place in which to live; and

34 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Larry Toney will long be remembered for
35 his love of family and friendship and will be missed by all who had the great fortune of
36 knowing him.

37 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
38 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Larry Toney and express
39 their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

40 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
41 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
42 family of Larry Toney.