By: Representatives Johnson of the 35^{th} , Wix of the 33^{rd} , Golick of the 30^{th} , Parsons of the 40^{th} and Manning of the 32^{nd}

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Joe Bland as Mr. Smyrna; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Joe Bland was named Mr. Smyrna by the Smyrna Moose Lodge in recognition

3 of his tremendous community service and active involvement in the affairs of numerous civic

4 and charitable organizations; and

5 WHEREAS, he is a North Carolina native and a 35 year resident of Smyrna who came to 6 Atlanta in 1964 after graduating from college and moved to Smyrna in the late 1960's; and

7 WHEREAS, he was a member of the Smyrna Jaycees; is a member of the Smyrna American

8 Legion, Post 160, the Smyrna First United Methodist Church, and the Smyrna Veterans

9 Memorial Committee; and is chair of the Smyrna Housing Authority where he has served

10 four years as a member of the board of directors; and

11 WHEREAS, he is also an active member of the Golden Kiwanis, an organization for older

12 Kiwanians, and he served on the board of directors of the Smyrna Athletic Association from

13 1974 to 1978; and

14 WHEREAS, this tireless volunteer has generously given his talent and energy for numerous

15 civic and community purposes and his leadership and dedication merit the highest praise.

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

17 the members of this body recognize and commend Joe Bland for his extraordinary service

18 to his community and express to him their deep appreciation and best wishes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorizedand directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Joe Bland.