

House Resolution 1234

By: Representatives Buck of the 135th, Smyre of the 136th, Hugley of the 133rd, Taylor of the 134th, Roberts of the 132nd and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Columbus Water Works on its 100th anniversary and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, the year 2002 marks 100 years since the Columbus Board of Water
3 Commissioners was established by an Act of the Georgia General Assembly (Ga. Laws 1902,
4 p. 370) and approved by the Governor on December 3, 1902; and

5 WHEREAS, Columbus Water Works has a proud tradition of excellence in the provision of
6 water and sewer services and never incurred a violation of any drinking water standard; and

7 WHEREAS, it has provided an abundant supply of clean drinking water to the region and
8 expanded its operations to guarantee that the demands of the region are met as it grows; and

9 WHEREAS, since 1995 it received 57 national, regional, and state honors, including the US
10 Environmental Protection Agency's highest award for the Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO)
11 Program in 2001 as well as the Governors's 2001 Pollution Prevention Award; and

12 WHEREAS, as part of its CSO, it led the development of a 16-mile park, Riverwalk, along
13 the banks of the Chattahoochee River that is enjoyed by countless citizens and visitors and
14 that spurred a multimillion dollar redevelopment of Downtown Columbus; and

15 WHEREAS, the accomplishments of Columbus Water Works were achieved while
16 maintaining very low consumer rates as compared to similar regional water utilities; and

17 WHEREAS, the commitment of the Columbus Water Works personnel is unsurpassed and
18 serves as a superb example for all public service providers to emulate.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
20 the Columbus Water Works is recognized for its outstanding public service and commended
21 for its accomplishments on the momentous occasion of its 100th anniversary.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
2 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to Kathelen Spencer, Chair of
3 the Board of Water Commissioners and to Billy G. Turner, President of Columbus Water
4 Works.