

House Resolution 1298

By: Representative Bell of the 25th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Honorable Byrd Martin Bruce; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Honorable Byrd Martin Bruce was the very capable and dedicated Mayor of
3 Jefferson, Georgia, for the past 26 years beginning in 1975, and his vision and leadership
4 substantially improved the quality of life for his fellow citizens and their families; and

5 WHEREAS, he is a native of Jefferson, served his country with honor in the Marine Corp
6 from 1946 to 1948, graduated from Jefferson High School in 1950, and married Ann Mize
7 in 1957 with whom he had two fine daughters: Cindy and Wanda; and

8 WHEREAS, he served on the Jefferson City Council and was also the Justice of the Peace
9 from 1969 to 1975, and his public service and expertise as a local businessman benefited him
10 greatly throughout his long tenure as Mayor of Jefferson; and

11 WHEREAS, under his leadership, the old Jackson County Sheriff's Office was refurbished
12 for the Jefferson Police Department, Historical Preservation Districts were created, over
13 21,000 acres were annexed, and new fire stations and a new library were built; and

14 WHEREAS, his vision and commitment to Jefferson's future was especially apparent in his
15 leadership establishing the proper water and sewer infrastructure surrounding the I-85 and
16 SR129 interchange which has attracted tremendous economic growth for the city; and

17 WHEREAS, the accomplishments of this very capable mayor have created significant
18 opportunities for the citizens and business leaders in Jefferson and a fiscally sound future.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
20 the members of this body commend Mayor Byrd Martin Bruce for his superb vision and
21 convey to him their best wishes for health and happiness.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
2 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Honorable Byrd Martin
3 Bruce.