

House Resolution 1584

By: Representatives Birdsong of the 123<sup>rd</sup>, Bunn of the 74<sup>th</sup>, Roberts of the 162<sup>nd</sup>, Heckstall of the 55<sup>th</sup>, Hembree of the 98<sup>th</sup> and others

#### A RESOLUTION

- 1 Expressing regret at the passing of W.D. "Cuz" Harrell; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, on March 23, 2002, the citizens of Bainbridge and the State of Georgia lost a  
3 distinguished citizen and friend with the passing of W.D. "Cuz" Harrell; and
- 4 WHEREAS, he was born on September 19, 1918, and was a graduate of West Bainbridge  
5 High School; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he worked as a linotype operator for *The Post-Searchlight* and *The Tallahassee*  
7 *Democrat* and as a brakeman for Seaboard Coastline Railroad, and served in the U.S. Army  
8 from 1944 to 1946 as a tech sergeant 5th Class with Company M, 121st Infantry Regiment  
9 in Europe; and
- 10 WHEREAS, he worked for the Georgia Department of Veterans Services for over 28 years,  
11 as a manager at the Bainbridge office and as an area supervisor at the south Georgia office;  
12 and
- 13 WHEREAS, he was appointed to the state Veterans Service Board by Governor Joe Frank  
14 Harris on February 16, 1984, and served as the board chairman for several years; and
- 15 WHEREAS, known in Georgia as "Mr. Legionnaire," he was a member of the American  
16 Legion since 1946, serving as state commander from 1962 to 1963, on the National  
17 Executive Committee for 26 consecutive years, and on various national committees; and
- 18 WHEREAS, he served as a volunteer with the Decatur County American Red Cross and was  
19 an active member of the Blackjack Community Baptist Church; and
- 20 WHEREAS, he is survived by Agnes, his wife of 63 years, four sons, four daughters, two  
21 sisters, 20 grandchildren, and 14 great-grandchildren.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
2 the members of this body express their deepest regret at the passing of W.D. Harrell and  
3 extend their sincerest sympathy to the members of his family.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
5 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of W.D. Harrell.