

## House Resolution 313

By: Representatives Brooks of the 54<sup>th</sup>, McKinney of the 51<sup>st</sup>, Seay of the 93<sup>rd</sup>, Jordan of the 96<sup>th</sup>, Mangham of the 75<sup>th</sup> and others

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring and remembering the Reverend Joseph Jones, Sr.; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Reverend Joseph Jones, Sr., was born on March 6, 1926, in Atlanta, Georgia,  
3 the son of the late Mrs. Carrie Jones and the late Mr. Ernest Jones; and
- 4 WHEREAS, he was the third of nine children and was educated in the Atlanta Public School  
5 System; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he fought for his country during World War II as a member of the United States  
7 Navy and was honorably discharged as Seaman First Class, V-6, on November 28, 1945; and
- 8 WHEREAS, he was employed by Lockheed Martin Aeronautics Company for over 35 years;  
9 and
- 10 WHEREAS, his most fulfilling position was as a business representative for Machinist Local  
11 #709, representing employees' interests on various employment issues; and
- 12 WHEREAS, he was licensed as a minister of the Gospel while a member of Norwood  
13 Tabernacle Baptist Church; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Reverend Jones was active in his community as the PTA president of Clara  
15 Maxwell Pitts Elementary School, was a member of Ashlar Smooth Masons #574, and was  
16 fondly known as "the Watkins Man"; and
- 17 WHEREAS, he will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by all who knew him,  
18 especially his loving wife, Mrs. Darnella S. Jones, and beloved children, Pastor Sandra J.  
19 Jewell, Mr. Joseph Jones, Jr., Mr. Johnny L. Jones, Mr. Larry R. Jones, Sr., Mr. Kenneth E.  
20 Jones, Mr. Michael J. Jones, and Ms. Sheila D. Jones.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
2 the members of this body honor the life of the Reverend Joseph Jones, Sr., an outstanding  
3 citizen of the State of Georgia, and express their sincere condolences to 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 Mrs. Darnella S. Jones.