

House Resolution 324

By: Representatives Roberts of the 162nd, Murphy of the 18th, Walker of the 141st, Skipper of the 137th, Stanley-Turner of the 50th and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Honorable Kenneth Birdsong; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Honorable Kenneth Birdsong, the distinguished Representative from the 123rd
3 District, is serving in his 25th year as a member of the House of Representatives; and
- 4 WHEREAS, on February 17, 2001, he will celebrate his 50th anniversary of public service
5 to the citizens of this state; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Mr. Birdsong was born in and continues to reside in Twiggs County where he
7 operates a truck farm; and
- 8 WHEREAS, he served in the United States Army during World War II and in Korea. Upon
9 being discharged, he enlisted in the Army Reserve 340th Engineer Construction Battalion,
10 where he served on active duty in 1949 and 1950; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Mr. Birdsong served as a justice of the peace in Twiggs County from 1951 until
12 1960 and served as a Twiggs County Commissioner from 1961 until his election to the
13 House of Representatives in 1976; and
- 14 WHEREAS, in 1975, he was one of the founders of the Older Americans Council of Middle
15 Georgia; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Mr. Birdsong is a 32nd degree Scottish Rite Mason and a member of the VFW,
17 American Legion, and Exchange Club of Macon, and he and his lovely wife, Elaine, are very
18 active in the civic, religious, and social affairs of their community; and
- 19 WHEREAS, his legislative experience and keen understanding of governmental problems
20 has made him one of the most influential members of this body; and

1 WHEREAS, as chairman of the Defense and Veterans Affairs Committee, he has
2 demonstrated excellent leadership ability in considering major legislation assigned to his
3 committee, and he has provided unyielding support to the men and women in the armed
4 forces and their families, the Georgia National Guard, and veterans and their families.

5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
6 the members of this body commend and congratulate Honorable Kenneth Birdsong on his
7 50 years of dedicated and distinguished public service to the people of his community and
8 the State of Georgia.

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
10 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Honorable Kenneth
11 Birdsong, Representative of the 123rd District.