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House Resolution 350

By: Representatives Powell of the 23rd, Parrish of the 144th, Hanner of the 159th, Coleman of the 142nd, Walker of the 141st and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing Martin NeSmith; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Martin NeSmith, owner of NeSmith Chevrolet-Oldsmobile-Pontiac, Inc., in
- 3 Claxton, NeSmith Chevrolet-Olds of Hinesville, and NeSmith U-Save Auto Rental/Budget
- 4 Car Sales, is Georgia's nominee for the *Time Magazine* Quality Dealer Award (TMQDA);
- 5 and
- 6 WHEREAS, his selection by a committee of nominees from the past five years is
- 7 well-deserved recognition of his exceptional entrepreneurial spirit, brilliant success as a
- 8 dealer, and distinguished record of community service; and
- 9 WHEREAS, this prestigious nomination is only one of a series of honors from his industry
- and others, including "Business Leader of the Year" from the Gladiator Club in 1996; the
- 11 Oldsmobile Elite Award, which honors the top 5 percent of dealers in the nation; the
- 12 Chevrolet Genuine Leaders Award; the General Motors Mark of Excellence Award; and
- 13 1998 Alumnus of the Year Chapter Honoree of Beta Gamma Sigma at Georgia Southern
- 14 University; and
- 15 WHEREAS, he has provided outstanding leadership in the industry, serving as president of
- 16 the Coastal Empire Chevy Dealers Ad Association, secretary of the New Generation
- 17 Oldsmobile District Ad Association, and chairman of the board of the Georgia Automobile
- 18 Dealers Association; and
- 19 WHEREAS, his vision and energy have been invaluable to many civic organizations,
- 20 including the Coastal Conservation Association of Georgia, Claxton Rotary Club, the Evans
- 21 County Chamber of Commerce, and the Pi Kappa Phi fraternity; and
- 22 WHEREAS, his distinguished career in community service includes exceptional service as
- 23 a member of the Evans County Industrial Authority, the Evans County Hospital Authority,

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1 the Board of Advisors for the College of Business at Georgia Southern University, the

- 2 Ogeechee Technical Institute Management Department Advisory Board, and as a fundraising
- 3 chairman for the YMCA of Evans County; and
- 4 WHEREAS, he has been an extraordinary representative for the First Congressional District
- 5 on the Board of Regents, contributing both insight and leadership.
- 6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 7 the members of this body commend Martin NeSmith as an exemplary businessman,
- 8 community leader, and public servant.
- 9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Martin NeSmith.