

House Resolution 62

By: Representative Rogers of the 20th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Expressing regret at the passing of Henry O. Ward; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Henry O. Ward was a distinguished citizen of Gainesville, Georgia, where he
3 was an influential member of the community and a trusted friend to many; and
- 4 WHEREAS, he was a native of Jackson County but had lived in Hall County most of his life,
5 and he was a licensed funeral director and for 35 years was co-owner and operator of Ward's
6 Funeral Homes in Gainesville, Cleveland, and Jefferson; and
- 7 WHEREAS, he served as coroner of Hall County for 24 years from 1952 until 1976, was a
8 Gainesville city commissioner from 1963 through 1972 serving one term as mayor, and was
9 Hall County Commission chairman from 1979 through 1984; and
- 10 WHEREAS, he was a former member of the Gainesville Jaycees, Gainesville Kiwanis Club,
11 Hall County Farm Bureau, Georgia Funeral Directors Association, and the National Funeral
12 Directors Association, and he was a devoted member of the First United Methodist Church
13 in Gainesville and a valuable member of the Board of Stewards; and
- 14 WHEREAS, the tremendous commitment he demonstrated to his community and his
15 generous contribution to the welfare of his fellow citizens will be long remembered.
- 16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
17 the members of this body express their regret at the passing of Henry O. Ward and convey
18 their deepest sympathy to the members of his family.
- 19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
20 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Henry O.
21 Ward.