

House Resolution 701

By: Representatives Holland of the 157th, Scott of the 165th and Hudson of the 156th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 To commemorate the life of Dr. Clark Henderson Shingler; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Dr. Clark Henderson Shingler, a lifelong resident of Ashburn and Turner
3 County, Georgia, was the son of James Simon Shingler and Eudora Henderson Shingler; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Dr. Shingler's family was one of the founding families of Ashburn and Turner
5 County, has been involved in both local and state politics over the years, and includes
6 Georgia's former First Lady, Betty Shingler Talmadge, and a member of this General
7 Assembly during the early part of this century; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Dr. Shingler attended public schools in Turner County and received his degree
9 in veterinary medicine from the University of Georgia Veterinary School in 1956, and was
10 a devoted member of the Ashburn Methodist Church; and
- 11 WHEREAS, he was married to the late Martha Gorday Shingler, a prominent Ashburn
12 businesswoman in her own right; and
- 13 WHEREAS, he and Mrs. Shingler were the proud parents of one daughter, Louise Shingler
14 Davis, and they had one grandson whom they adored, Jerry "J." Shingler Davis; and
- 15 WHEREAS, he served in the United States Navy during World War II on the USS Procyn,
16 having arrived in Pearl Harbor the day after the infamous attack of December 7, 1941, to
17 provide protection, support, and relief to the people of Hawaii and the South Pacific; and
- 18 WHEREAS, his many honors and achievements include the Rotary Club Paul Harris
19 Fellowship Award in 2000; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Dr. Shingler was a member of the Georgia Veterinary Association, the
21 Southwest Georgia Veterinary Association, the American Veterinary Association, the Navy

1 League, and the Sycamore Masonic Lodge #210 F. and A.M., and he was a founding member
2 of the Turner County Rotary Club; and

3 WHEREAS, for almost four decades he served his community and region as one of the
4 preeminent veterinary doctors of Georgia; and

5 WHEREAS, his dedication to and love for animals of all shapes and sizes was renowned, and
6 his gentle spirit, great personality, and friendship to all he met made him an irreplaceable
7 citizen of his community; and

8 WHEREAS, his remarkable skill as a veterinarian and love for his animal patients and their
9 human owners brought relief from pain and illness and brought happiness to generations of
10 the people of Ashburn, Turner County, Georgia, and southwest Georgia; and

11 WHEREAS, his love for his work was only exceeded by his love for his family and his
12 church; and

13 WHEREAS, on January 12, 2001, this wonderful individual went to join the Lord and the
14 loved ones who preceded him in death; and

15 WHEREAS, it is only fitting and proper that this House commemorates the life of this
16 notable citizen of the State of Georgia.

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
18 the members of this body commemorate the life and accomplishments of Dr. Clark
19 Henderson Shingler and express condolences upon his passing.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized and
21 directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Dr. Shingler's daughter, Louise
22 Shingler Davis.