

House Resolution 64EX1

By: Representatives Murphy of the 18th, Connell of the 115th, Walker of the 141st, Skipper of the 137th, Smyre of the 136th and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing Representative Jim Martin of the 47th District; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Representative Jim Martin of the 47th District has recently agreed to assume
3 the position of Georgia Commissioner of Human Resources in the near future; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Representative Martin has served the people of Georgia as a member of the
5 House of Representatives with great ability, dedication, and distinction since his election in
6 1983; and
- 7 WHEREAS, he has for a number of years practiced law with the Martin Brothers firm and
8 is esteemed as one of Georgia's most able and astute attorneys; and
- 9 WHEREAS, he has distinguished himself in community service activities, including service
10 on the State AIDS Task Force and the Advisory Board of Community Friendship; and
- 11 WHEREAS, his accomplishments as a legislator have been widely recognized within and
12 without the legislature, including, among many other honors the receipt of the Public Service
13 Award from the Mental Health Association of Metro Atlanta; the Legislative Award from
14 the Georgia Psychological Association; and the Outstanding Legislator Award from the
15 Georgia Council on Aging; and
- 16 WHEREAS, he has served since 1997 as Chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, one
17 of the most demanding positions in the legislature and one in which he has displayed
18 fairness, courtesy, wisdom, and courage while dealing with many of the most difficult
19 legislative issues; and
- 20 WHEREAS, the membership of the House will sorely miss the contributions of
21 Representative Martin as a colleague in this body, but looks forward to working with him as

1 he takes on his important new responsibilities and duties directing the Department of Human
2 Resources.

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that the
4 members of this body hereby recognize their friend and colleague Representative Jim Martin,
5 express their appreciation for his many years of outstanding service in this body, and extend
6 to him and his family all best wishes as he moves on to other endeavors.

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House is authorized and directed to
8 transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Representative Jim Martin.