

House Resolution 36EX2

By: Representatives Rogers of the 20th, Smith of the 19th and Murphy of the 18th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending James Pilgrim; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, James Pilgrim, a well- known business and civic leader in Gainesville,
3 Georgia, is the president of the Georgia Elks Association, a volunteer organization of 33
4 lodges that includes more than 7,500 members in the state; and

5 WHEREAS, he is a native of Gainesville and has been active in the Elks organization for
6 many years, serving in various leadership positions where he has demonstrated exceptional
7 dedication, initiative, and direction; and

8 WHEREAS, the Elks Aidmore Children's Home in Conyers is the major state project of the
9 Georgia Elks Association, and the home provides a crucial haven for 50 pre-teen and teenage
10 girls and prepares them for independence following their supervision; and

11 WHEREAS, in addition, the Elks organization is a major benefactor for college students
12 seeking financial assistance, and each year the organization doles out to deserving students
13 the most scholarships in the country; and

14 WHEREAS, the exemplary community service and dedication demonstrated by James
15 Pilgrim serves as an inspiration to others and merits recognition and honor.

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
17 the members of this body recognize and commend James Pilgrim as president of the Georgia
18 Elks Association and convey to him their congratulations and best wishes.

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 James Pilgrim.