

House Resolution 30

By: Representatives Day of the 126th, Coleman of the 118th, Skipper of the 116th, Orrock of the 51st, Bordeaux of the 125th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Honorable James Earl "Jimmy" Carter, Jr. and inviting him to appear before
2 the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Honorable James Earl "Jimmy" Carter, Jr. served with unparalleled ability as
4 a member of the Senate from 1962 through 1966, as the 76th Governor of Georgia from 1970
5 through 1974, and as the 39th President of the United States from 1976 through 1980; and

6 WHEREAS, this dynamic and powerful public servant has faithfully represented the citizens
7 of this state and nation with great distinction, dedication, and ability; and

8 WHEREAS, his consistently thorough consideration of issues and his integrity and reliability
9 have rightfully earned him the honor, respect, and trust of his colleagues over the years; and

10 WHEREAS, he consistently demonstrated a solid commitment to the careful study of
11 sensitive issues and proposed solutions and quickly developed a reputation as an equitable,
12 impartial leader whose decisions were governed by the rules of honesty and fair play; and

13 WHEREAS, he exhibited the level of political activism and unselfish leadership ideally
14 expected of public trustees in an effective, representative democracy, and his public
15 stewardship has been marked by unmatched dignity, grace, and wisdom; and

16 WHEREAS, his creative leadership and his thoughtful sensitivity with respect to complex
17 social and political matters, and especially his ability to work behind the scenes and build
18 coalitions and consensus, have received the approval and applause of his peers who hold him
19 in such high regard; and

20 WHEREAS, on October 11, 2002, the Norwegian Nobel Committee announced it was
21 awarding The Nobel Peace Prize for 2002 to Mr. Carter "for his decades of untiring efforts

1 to find peaceful solutions to international conflicts, to advance democracy and human rights,
2 and to promote economic and social development"; and

3 WHEREAS, his foresight and forthright determination have brought unparalleled progress
4 and a sense of destiny to the citizens of the State of Georgia and the United States and it is
5 abundantly fitting and proper that the members of this body, most especially those to whom
6 he so freely imparted advice, encouragement, and friendship and who regard him with much
7 admiration and respect, pay appropriate tribute to one of their finest and most distinguished
8 colleagues for the many years of impartial, well-reasoned, and enlightened service he has
9 rendered on behalf of this state and its citizens.

10 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
11 the members of this body unanimously honor and commend Honorable James Earl "Jimmy"
12 Carter, Jr. for substantially improving the quality of life for our citizens and contributing to
13 Georgia's leadership role in the South; commend him for serving as an unmatched example
14 of enlightened government and statesmanship; congratulate him upon being named The
15 Nobel Peace Prize Laureate for 2002; and wish him every success in all his future endeavors.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Honorable James Earl "Jimmy" Carter, Jr. is invited
17 to appear before the House of Representatives on a day and at a time designated by the
18 Speaker of the House of Representatives.

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 Honorable James Earl
21 "Jimmy" Carter, Jr.