

House Resolution 114

By: Representatives McBee of the 74th, Heard of the 75th and Smith of the 76th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Athens Chamber of Commerce on its 100th anniversary
2 and inviting representatives to appear before this body; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Athens Chamber of Commerce was founded in 1903 with more than 100
4 members who recognized the significance of business advocacy for local commerce and
5 trade to flourish in this state university town; and

6 WHEREAS, through the years outstanding volunteer leadership has been one of the
7 hallmarks of the Athens Chamber, and prominent merchants, industry leaders, politicians,
8 and media professionals have ably contributed their vision and energy as presidents; and

9 WHEREAS, nine very capable and influential leaders have served as the executive directors
10 over the life of the organization and have significantly advanced the mission and initiatives
11 of the Athens Area Chamber of Commerce, as it is known today; and

12 WHEREAS, the organization continues to foster an environment conducive to business and
13 economic development; and the diligence, dedication, and abiding commitment of its
14 members, the board of directors, and the staff will leave a lasting legacy for business in the
15 next century as well.

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
17 the members of this body recognize and commend the Athens Area Chamber of Commerce
18 on its 100th anniversary and invite representatives to appear before this body at a time to be
19 determined by the Speaker of the House to convey their best wishes for the future.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is hereby
21 authorized and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Rich Carey,
22 Executive Director of the Athens Area Chamber of Commerce.