

## House Resolution 579

By: Representatives Butler of the 88<sup>th</sup>, Post 1, Harper of the 88<sup>th</sup>, Post 2, Smith of the 87<sup>th</sup>, and Maxwell of the 27<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Mr. Bob Stone; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Bob Stone, founder of Systems & Methods, Incorporated, was recently honored  
3 as the Citizen of the Year by the Carroll County Chamber of Commerce during the  
4 organization's annual dinner in January; and

5 WHEREAS, he began his career in data processing as a student at Georgia Institute of  
6 Technology and furthered his experience through employment at Lockheed Aircraft and  
7 Southern Railroad. Before starting SMI, Mr. Stone served as an assistant professor of  
8 business at West Georgia College in Carrollton, where he built the relationship with local  
9 Department of Family and Children Services offices which gave rise to the opportunity to  
10 provide a service for these struggling governmental entities across the state; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Stone built his company on solid family business ideals with a company  
12 philosophy that states its employees will always "go the extra mile" for its clients, and he has  
13 carried that philosophy into his community, where he has a thorough understanding of giving  
14 back to the community through intense involvement in local and state civic organizations;  
15 and

16 WHEREAS, SMI, a family owned and operated company dedicated to providing innovative,  
17 technologically sound system solutions for its health and human services clients, was  
18 founded 32 years ago and now employs almost 250 people in offices across the nation,  
19 specializing in various types of information processing systems, social services tracking  
20 systems, and automated remittance technology.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
22 the members of this body commend Mr. Bob Stone for being named Citizen of the Year by  
23 the Carroll County Chamber of Commerce.

- 1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 2 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Bob Stone.