

House Resolution 831

By: Representatives Yates of the 85th, Post 1 and Lunsford of the 85th, Post 2

A RESOLUTION

1 Paying tribute to Honorable Walter Bain Proctor, Jr.; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Walter Bain Proctor, Jr., will be long remembered by the citizens of Griffin,
3 Georgia, for his exceptional leadership as an involved civic, business, and religious leader
4 who significantly improved the quality of life for his fellow citizens; and

5 WHEREAS, he was born on October 11, 1943, in Thomaston, Upson County, Georgia, the
6 only child of Pauline and Walter Proctor; and he attended Thomaston City Schools and
7 graduated from Baylor Preparatory School in Chattanooga, Tennessee; and

8 WHEREAS, he served in the U.S. Navy 1963-1967; married Carole Wilder on March 18,
9 1967; graduated from Georgia State University in 1970; and fathered three fine children:
10 Walter Bain Proctor III, Daniel Wesley Proctor, and Heather Lynn Proctor; and

11 WHEREAS, he came to Griffin as a manager with State Farm Insurance in June, 1979, and
12 he quickly became involved in civic affairs, was elected mayor of Griffin, became a member
13 of the Board of Commissioners of Spalding County, and served as the chairman; and

14 WHEREAS, he was chairman of the Spalding County Republican Party, was a member of
15 the Salvation Army executive committee and served twice as its chairman, and was
16 instrumental in purchasing the land and creating Volunteer Park as the site for various
17 community youth recreation programs; and

18 WHEREAS, the wonderful initiatives and extraordinary leadership of this outstanding civic
19 leader in Griffin, Georgia, are an inspiration to others and will be honored forever.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
21 this body pays tribute to the Honorable Walter Bain Proctor, Jr., for his superb public service
22 and conveys its sincerest sympathy to his beloved family.

- 1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 2 and directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to the Proctor family.