

House Resolution 1165

By: Representatives Teper of the 42nd, Post 1, Ashe of the 42nd, Post 2, Moraitakis of the 42nd, Post 4, Gardner of the 42nd, Post 3, and Coleman of the 118th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring and remembering the life of Mr. Horace McKennie; and for other purposes
- 2 WHEREAS, Mr. Horace McKennie of Atlanta was remembered by his family and friends
3 at a homegoing service on January 24, 2004; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. McKennie was an employee of Moe's and Joe's, a bar and restaurant in the
5 Virginia-Highland neighborhood of Atlanta, for over 50 years; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he served generations of Atlantans and students studying in that city with a
7 graciousness and gentility of manner that impressed everyone who came in contact with him;
8 and
- 9 WHEREAS, Mr. McKennie provided a welcome example of dignity and respectfulness to
10 many young people starting out in life and away from home for the first time and at a time
11 when they are most in need of guidance by role models; and
- 12 WHEREAS, he was extraordinarily sensitive to the needs and vulnerabilities of many of
13 these young people and was thereby able to protect them from their own worst instincts as
14 well as the abuses of their over-exuberant companions; and
- 15 WHEREAS, he demonstrated that his calling as a waiter was as valuable and as worthwhile
16 to his community as the occupations of any other professional or tradesman whose material
17 compensation was greater; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Horace McKennie exemplified the very best in citizenship and humanity in
19 Atlanta, Georgia, a town often noted as "too busy" to take adequate notice of such people
20 among its population; and

1 WHEREAS, the Georgia House of Representatives recognizes these virtues as essential to
2 the practical and effective functioning of our complex society.

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
4 this body and its members honor and remember the shining and dignified life of Mr. Horace
5 McKennie and express our deepest condolences to his family, friends, and patrons who loved
6 him.

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
8 and directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. Horace McKennie and
9 to Moe's and Joe's.