

House Resolution 1292

By: Representative Birdsong of the 104<sup>th</sup>

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Commending and recognizing the life of Mr. James A. "Jimmy" Bowman; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mr. James A. "Jimmy" Bowman was born January 4, 1936, in Fort Valley,  
4 Georgia; and

5 WHEREAS, he was a scholar having graduated from Lanier High School in Macon and  
6 received his Bachelor of Science in ceramic engineering from Georgia Institute of  
7 Technology in 1959; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Bowman married the love of his life, Elaine Burch of Eastman, Georgia,  
9 and was a devoted father to his son Jim Bowman, Jr., and devoted grandfather to Joshua and  
10 Abbie Bowman of Columbia, South Carolina; and

11 WHEREAS, he establish residence in Jeffersonville, Georgia, in 1965 and became an active  
12 member of Jeffersonville Baptist Church, serving as its Sunday school superintendent,  
13 training union director, and deacon; and

14 WHEREAS, he was a member of the United States Naval Reserves and was honorably  
15 discharged as a Radioman Petty Officer 3rd Class; and

16 WHEREAS, Mr. Bowman spent 30 years in the service of the Georgia Kaolin Company's  
17 Dry Branch as a quality and process control laboratory manager and research director; and

18 WHEREAS, Mr. Bowmen spent one term in the Georgia General Assembly from 1975-1977,  
19 representing Twiggs County and a portion of Bibb County; and

20 WHEREAS, he was elected to the Jeffersonville City Council, serving from 1968-1974 and  
21 again from 1987-1991; and

1 WHEREAS, he was mayor of Jeffersonville from 1972-1977, he installed the first city  
2 budget system in 1971, and secured the lease of the Seaboard Railroad Depot to house  
3 Jeffersonville City Hall; and

4 WHEREAS, after a long illness, Mr. Bowman passed away on January 12, 2002; and

5 WHEREAS, he was a man of vision and talent, full of ideas, and held a deep desire to  
6 improve the quality of life for the people of Jeffersonville.

7 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
8 the members of this body commend and recognize the life, service, and many great  
9 achievements of Mr. James A. "Jimmy" Bowman and express sincerest condolences to his  
10 family.

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
12 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. James A.  
13 "Jimmy" Bowman.