

House Resolution 1692

By: Representatives Rogers of the 20th, Coleman of the 118th, Jamieson of the 22nd, Houston of the 139th, DeLoach of the 127th, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Honorable Larry Walker; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Honorable Larry Walker has served with distinction, dedication, and ability as
3 a member of the House of Representatives for more than 31 years; and
- 4 WHEREAS, he is a lifelong resident of Perry, Georgia, a graduate of Perry High School, and
5 a 1965 graduate of the University of Georgia School of Law; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he has practiced law in Perry since 1965, where he served six years as
7 municipal court judge and eight years as city attorney; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Honorable Larry Walker served as administration floor leader for Governor Joe
9 Frank Harris and as majority leader of the House of Representatives from 1986 through
10 2002; and
- 11 WHEREAS, his knowledge, leadership, and perseverance have proven invaluable during his
12 service on the Judiciary, Rules, and Appropriations Committees, as chairman of the Code
13 Revision Commission, and as chairman of the State Legislative Leaders Foundation; and
- 14 WHEREAS, the January 2003 edition of *Georgia Trend* magazine included him on its list
15 of "The 100 Most Powerful and Influential People in Georgia," the twelfth consecutive year
16 he was chosen for this honor; and
- 17 WHEREAS, he was instrumental in the creation and development of the Georgia Agricenter
18 and the Georgia National Fair in Perry, worked tirelessly to change the laws to allow
19 restaurants to donate left-over food to the needy without fear of being sued, and lead the
20 applause when Ray Charles sang "Georgia on My Mind" during the adoption of the official
21 state song; and

1 WHEREAS, his announcement that he will not seek reelection has brought sadness to all
2 who have had the rare privilege of working with him.

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
4 the members of this body recognize and commend Honorable Larry Walker for his many
5 years of dedicated service to the citizens of Georgia.

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
7 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Honorable Larry Walker.