

House Resolution 1781

By: Representative Amerson of the 9th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the James Cooper Prayer Group; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, for 30 years, the James Cooper Prayer Group has met to pray for people from
3 all over the country and the world who are experiencing times of trouble and adversity; and

4 WHEREAS, the James Cooper Prayer Group was founded in 1973 by James Cooper and
5 originally consisted of eight members from the Dahlonega Baptist Church and the St. Luke
6 Catholic Church; and

7 WHEREAS, the James Cooper Prayer Group now has over 60 members representing the
8 spectrum of churches in Lumpkin County; and

9 WHEREAS, the James Cooper Prayer Group meets every Tuesday at 7:00 a.m. in the
10 Dahlonega Baptist Church with an average attendance of around 40 members; and

11 WHEREAS, five of the original eight members are still members of the group: Jerry Butler,
12 Johnny Walker, Dr. John Owen, Dr. John Raber, and Reverend Bob Green; and

13 WHEREAS, for almost 20 years, Rudy Myers, who is now deceased, came early to the
14 prayer group meetings to make coffee and set out snacks for the group members; and

15 WHEREAS, over the past 15 years, the James Cooper Prayer Group has developed seven
16 different prayer letters that address almost every situation of adversity and, during this time,
17 the James Cooper Prayer Group has sent out over 5,800 letters to individuals in 31 states and
18 two foreign countries which have been signed by every member who attended the weekly
19 meeting; and

20 WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the James Cooper Prayer Group and its members
21 for their devotion, for their caring and unselfish concern, and for the comfort the group and

1 its members provide to people all over the country and the world who are experiencing times
2 of trouble and adversity.

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
4 the members of this body recognize the James Cooper Prayer Group and its members for the
5 wonderful service that the group provides and extend to the members their best wishes for
6 continued health and happiness.

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
8 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the James Cooper Prayer
9 Group, care of Dr. John Raber.