

House Resolution 77EX

By: Representative Roberts of the 131st

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and congratulating Mrs. Dell Dove on the occasion of her 40th anniversary as
2 the secretary of the Ocilla Baptist Church; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, May 23, 2004, has been declared "Dell Dove Day" at Ocilla Baptist Church;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, Dell is a true servant to her family, church, and God who was hired 40 years
6 ago as the church secretary while Reverend Jessie Alligood was the pastor; and

7 WHEREAS, through the years, she has ably served several pastors at Ocilla, including the
8 current pastor, Gerald Thomas; and

9 WHEREAS, Dell was very instrumental in starting weekday preschool classes at Ocilla
10 Baptist Church; and

11 WHEREAS, Dell is often called on by members of the community for information regarding
12 the needs of others, especially organizations that deliver food and gifts during the holiday
13 seasons, and volunteers much of her time with hospice; and

14 WHEREAS, Dell has been married to Herman Dove for 46 years and they recently
15 celebrated their wedding anniversary; and

16 WHEREAS, the couple have one son, Anthony, and a daughter-in-law, Marilyn; and

17 WHEREAS, they are especially proud of their three grandchildren, Dennis, who plays
18 baseball for the St. Louis Cardinals; Andrew, who is a student at the University of Georgia;
19 and Abby, who is graduating from high school this year; and

20 WHEREAS, she is famous for her wonderful banana puddin' and homemade cakes; and

1 WHEREAS, Dell's tireless service to her community and her church are worthy of
2 recognition and offer inspiration to others in a time when the news is full of distressing world
3 events.

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
5 the members of this body hereby recognize the many accomplishments and faithful service
6 of Mrs. Dell Dove, congratulate her on a job well done, and convey their best wishes for
7 continued health and happiness.

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
9 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mrs. Dell Dove.