

Senate Resolution 29

By: Senator Hooks of the 14th

### A RESOLUTION

1 Remembering and honoring the life of James Frank Myers, Jr.; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, James Frank Myers, Jr. was born on June 21, 1920, in Plains, Georgia, to his  
3 loving parents, James Frank Myers and Mary Girvan Myers Dupree, and graduated as  
4 valedictorian of his class from Anthony School; and

5 WHEREAS, receiving his law degree in 1948, Mr. Myers went on to become a much  
6 respected and accomplished lawyer in Americus, Georgia; and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Myers served his country with honor and courage during World War II,  
8 and, after returning to his home, became a passionate advocate for his community and his  
9 state, serving in the Georgia House of Representatives from 1949 to 1950; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Myers also served as Mayor of Americus, and will be remembered as an  
11 honest and progressive public servant whose fierce determination and tireless dedication  
12 were essential to rebuilding race relations after the school integration crisis of the early  
13 1970s; and

14 WHEREAS, being involved in numerous civic activities, Mr. Myers was always enthusiastic  
15 to find new ways in which to serve the citizens of Americus and Sumter County and, as such,  
16 founded The Sumter Free Press in 1998; and

17 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost a most estimable citizen and beloved public servant  
18 on January 3, 2005, with the passing of Mr. James Frank Myers.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
20 join together to express their deepest regret at the passing of Mr. James Frank Myers, Jr. and  
21 extend their most sincere condolences to his family and the community of Americus and  
22 Sumter County, Georgia.

- 1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 2 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. James Frank Myers,
- 3 Jr. and the Mayor and Council of the City of Americus, Georgia.