

House Resolution 135

By: Representative Royal of the 171st

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Bernard Catchings; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Bernard Catchings has long been recognized by the citizens of Mitchell and
3 Baker counties for the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal
4 commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

5 WHEREAS, he has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,
6 talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced
7 dramatically by his record of over 30 years of superlative service as a member of the Mitchell
8 and Baker County school systems where he served as a teacher, administrator, and mentor;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, his significant organizational and leadership talents, his remarkable patience
11 and diplomacy, his keen sense of vision, and his sensitivity to the needs of the citizens of his
12 community have earned him the respect and admiration of his colleagues and associates; and

13 WHEREAS, this distinguished senior gentleman has given inspiration to many through his
14 high ideals, morals, and deep concern for his fellow man, and he possesses the vast wisdom
15 which only comes through experience and the strength of character which is achieved
16 through overcoming the many challenges of life; and

17 WHEREAS, he is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for
18 integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and, by the example he has made of his life,
19 he makes this world a better place in which to live; and

20 WHEREAS, on January 19, 2005, he enjoyed the rare distinction of celebrating his ninetieth
21 birthday, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
22 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
2 the members of this body commend Bernard Catchings for his over three decades of
3 efficient, effective, unselfish, and dedicated public service; congratulate him upon the
4 occasion of his birthday; and extend to him their most sincere best wishes for continued
5 health and happiness.

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
7 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Bernard Catchings.