

House Resolution 207

By: Representative Royal of the 171<sup>st</sup>

### A RESOLUTION

1 Expressing regret at the passing of Honorable George Arthur Horkan, Jr.; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, on February 2, 2005, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest and most  
4 distinguished citizens with the passing of Honorable George Arthur Horkan, Jr.; and

5 WHEREAS, he has long been recognized by the citizens of Colquitt County for the vital role  
6 that he has played in leadership and jurisprudence and his deep personal commitment to the  
7 welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

8 WHEREAS, this native son of Moultrie diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable  
9 hours of his time, talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community as evidenced  
10 dramatically by his over 20 years of superlative service as Judge of the Superior Court of  
11 Colquitt County; and

12 WHEREAS, this extraordinary jurist served as Moultrie Municipal Court Judge from 1957  
13 to 1969, Superior Court Judge with the Southern Judicial Circuit from 1972 to 1994, Chief  
14 Judge of the Southern Judicial Circuit from 1979 to 1994, and as Senior Judge of the  
15 Superior Courts of Georgia since 1995, and

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

19 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation  
20 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and

21 WHEREAS, the untimely passing of this generous, kind, and devoted family man leaves an  
22 unfillable void in the hearts and lives of his family and friends.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
2 the members of this body express their deepest and most sincere regret at the passing of  
3 Honorable George Arthur Horkan, Jr.; and commend him for a lifetime of efficient, effective,  
4 unselfish, and dedicated public service.

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
6 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Honorable  
7 George Arthur Horkan, Jr.