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House Resolution 583

By: Representatives Benton of the 31st and McCall of the 30th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Remembering and honoring the life of Mr. William M. Barnett; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Mr. William M. Barnett, a native of Washington, Georgia, attended Emory
- 3 University where he graduated in 1935; and
- 4 WHEREAS, he began his distinguished career in education in Toccoa, Georgia, and served
- 5 the City of Toccoa schools for 24 years as a principal and later as the superintendent of
- 6 schools; and
- 7 WHEREAS, until his retirement in 1977, he was the superintendent of Commerce schools
- 8 where he again earned the respect and admiration of his colleagues; and
- 9 WHEREAS, he and his wife, Mrs. Frances Armour Barnett, who was an English teacher,
- 10 enjoyed 51 years of marriage and are fondly remembered by generations of students in both
- 11 Toccoa and Commerce; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Mr. Barnett was an outstanding community leader who served on numerous
- 13 boards benefiting the Commerce community and was a member of the First United
- 14 Methodist Church of Commerce and a member of the Kiwanis Club for 55 years; and
- 15 WHEREAS, with the passing of Mr. William M. Barnett, the State of Georgia has lost a most
- 16 esteemed citizen, educator, and public servant.
- 17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 18 the members of this body join together to express their deepest regret at the passing of Mr.
- 19 William M. Barnett and extend their most sincere condolences to his family.

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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized

2 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. William

3 M. Barnett.