

House Resolution 1103

By: Representative Hudson of the 124th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Mayor Edward D. Ricketson, Jr., on the occasion of his retirement; and for
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Edward D. Ricketson, Jr., has served as mayor of the City of Warrenton for 11
4 prosperous years; and

5 WHEREAS, Mayor Ricketson comes from a long line of public servants; his father, Edward
6 D. Ricketson, Sr., was elected to the state Senate in 1955, and his grandfather was elected
7 to the Senate in 1925; and

8 WHEREAS, Mayor Ricketson first entered politics in 1985, when he won a seat in the House
9 of Representatives, serving from 1986 to 1992; upon leaving this office, he entered local
10 politics by taking office as mayor of the City of Warrenton on January 1, 1994; and

11 WHEREAS, Mayor Ricketson has overseen a prosperous and happy period for the city, and
12 among the many accomplishments of his administration are the garnering of over \$4 million
13 in grant funds for water and sewer projects, renovating the old Warrenton gymnasium to
14 become the Warrenton/Warren County Cultural Center, and the construction of the
15 Warrenton Learning Center; and

16 WHEREAS, the two primary goals Mayor Ricketson had when first entering office were to
17 save Warrenton money and to run the city more like a business, and he has proudly
18 accomplished both of these objectives; and

19 WHEREAS, Mayor Ricketson left office on December 31, 2005, leaving his beloved city a
20 legacy of fiscal responsibility, forward-looking development, and strong and able leadership.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
22 the members of this body join in commending Mayor Edward D. Ricketson, Jr., for 11 years

1 of outstanding leadership to his community and extend their sincere best wishes on the
2 occasion of his retirement.

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
4 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mayor Edward D.
5 Ricketson, Jr.