

## House Resolution 1139

By: Representatives Wix of the 33<sup>rd</sup>, Morgan of the 39<sup>th</sup>, Teilhet of the 40<sup>th</sup>, Johnson of the 37<sup>th</sup>, and Hembree of the 67<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending R. T. Godfrey on the occasion of his retirement from service on the Austell  
2 City Council; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, after 13 memorable years of service on the Austell City Council, Mr. R. T.  
4 Godfrey has retired from public office; and

5 WHEREAS, before becoming a member of the council, Mr. Godfrey honorably served his  
6 country as a chief petty officer in the United States Naval Reserves and had a distinguished  
7 29 year career with CSX Railroad; and

8 WHEREAS, elected to office after a friend urged him to run, Mr. Godfrey helped lead  
9 Austell to greater growth and prosperity; and achievements of the city during his tenure  
10 include the building of the bridge on Bankhead Highway and the purchase of the Threadmill  
11 Mall Complex; and

12 WHEREAS, a humble and generous gentleman, Mr. Godfrey was always willing to go out  
13 of his way to serve his beloved community, going so far as to donate his salary to help fund  
14 the Christmas bonus program for city employees; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Godfrey has always been greatly respected as a thoughtful and responsible  
16 leader, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that this body appropriately recognize his 13  
17 years of committed service to his city and state.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
19 the members of this body join together to commend Mr. R. T. Godfrey for his many years  
20 of outstanding service as a member of the Austell City Council and to express their best  
21 wishes on the occasion of his retirement from public office.

- 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 Mr. R. T. Godfrey.