

## House Resolution 1483

By: Representatives Smith of the 113<sup>th</sup>, Kidd of the 115<sup>th</sup>, and Heard of the 114<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Upshaw C. Bentley, Jr.; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Upshaw C. Bentley, Jr., of Fortson, Bentley & Griffin was honored as the  
3 recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award at the midyear meeting of the State Bar of  
4 Georgia on January 5, 2006; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Bentley has devoted his entire life to the service of others and has done so  
6 in an effective, energetic manner, seeking to benefit his fellow citizens rather than to garner  
7 glory for himself; and

8 WHEREAS, his life has been a shining example of political, charitable, religious, and civic  
9 involvement that has inspired many others by example; and

10 WHEREAS, he has served as president of the Northeast Georgia Boy Scout Council;  
11 president of the Athens Area Chamber of Commerce; mayor of Athens, Georgia; emeritus  
12 trustee of the University of Georgia Foundation; trustee of the Georgia Baptist Foundation;  
13 chairman of the board of trustees of Truett-McConnell College; chairman of the board of  
14 deacons of the First Baptist Church of Athens; and co-chairman of the Athens community  
15 Council on Aging; and

16 WHEREAS, the actions he has taken have made a positive impact upon every citizen of  
17 Athens-Clarke County for the last six decades, and there are very few individuals who have  
18 played a more important role in all aspects of the development of the Athens-Clarke County  
19 Community; and

20 WHEREAS, in all that he is and all that he does, Mr. Bentley truly sets a higher bar for the  
21 rest of us; therefore it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments  
22 of this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
2 the members of this body commend Upshaw C. Bentley, Jr., for significant contributions and  
3 service as a community leader and outstanding citizen for Athens-Clarke County and  
4 Georgia; and recognize him as the duly deserving recipient of the Lifetime Achievement  
5 Award.

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 Upshaw C. Bentley, Jr.