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House Resolution 1781

By: Representatives Smyre of the 132nd, Smith of the 129th, Hugley of the 133rd, Smith of the 131st, and Buckner of the 130th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life of Rozier Dedwylder and expressing regret at his passing; and for other
- 2 purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Rozier Dedwylder was a gifted and community minded Columbus architect and
- 4 one of the founders of Uptown Columbus; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Rozier Dedwylder was an outstanding visionary and driving force behind the
- 6 transformation of downtown Columbus; and
- 7 WHEREAS, one of the first significant projects to signal that something special was going
- 8 on in downtown Columbus was Rozier Dedwylder's transformation of the historic Columbus
- 9 Iron Works into a convention center; and
- 10 WHEREAS, his ability to blend the progressive and the historic is everywhere in that
- 11 remarkable facility; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Rozier Dedwylder oversaw and assisted in planning numerous prominent
- 13 restorations and developments of downtown Columbus; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Rozier Dedwylder personified respect for the best of the past whenever building
- 15 for the future; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Rozier Dedwylder contributed extensively to the look, feel, and sense of
- 17 community of Columbus; and
- 18 WHEREAS, those who knew Rozier Dedwylder lost a friend who exuded warm, gracious
- 19 courtliness and Southern charm; and

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1 WHEREAS, those who did not personally know Rozier Dedwylder lost a visionary, energetic

- 2 leader who never tired of working to make his community and the State of Georgia a better
- 3 and more beautiful place.
- 4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 5 the members of this body honor the life of Rozier Dedwylder, express regret at his passing,
- 6 and extend their most sincere condolences to his family and friends.
- 7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 8 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Rozier
- 9 Dedwylder.