

House Resolution 1897

By: Representative Heard of the 104<sup>th</sup>

### A RESOLUTION

- 1 Expressing regret at the passing of Tom M. Wages, Sr.; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, on November 19, 2005, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest and most  
3 distinguished citizens with the passing of Tom M. Wages, Sr.; and
- 4 WHEREAS, this exceptional individual exhibited outstanding leadership in all of his life,  
5 including his service to his nation as a member of the United States Navy during World War  
6 II and his service to his community and state as the founder of one of the most outstanding  
7 funeral home operations in this state, providing great care and compassion to thousands of  
8 families over a career that spanned 65 years; as a supporter of education, serving on local  
9 school councils as a business partner and contributing his time and money to meet the needs  
10 of the schools; and through his leadership in business, having been recognized with the 2003  
11 National Leadership Award as Honorary Chairman of the Business Advisory Council, the  
12 2005 Business Man of the Year from Georgia Award of the National Republican  
13 Congressional Committee Business Advisory Council, and the Republican Senatorial Medal  
14 of Freedom; and
- 15 WHEREAS, his unparalleled organizational and leadership talents, his remarkable patience  
16 and diplomacy, his keen sense of vision, and his acute sensitivity to the needs of the citizens  
17 of his community and state earned him the respect and admiration of his colleagues and  
18 associates; and
- 19 WHEREAS, the passing of this generous, kind, and devoted man leaves an unfillable void  
20 in the hearts and lives of his family and friends.
- 21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
22 the members of this body express their deepest and most sincere regret at the passing of Tom  
23 M. Wages, Sr.

- 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 Sandra Wages, the wife of
- 3 Tom M. Wages, Sr.