

## House Resolution 162

By: Representatives Smith of the 113<sup>th</sup>, Burkhalter of the 50<sup>th</sup>, Manning of the 32<sup>nd</sup>, Hill of the 180<sup>th</sup>, and Butler of the 18<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Expressing regret at the passing of William Littleton Collins; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, William Littleton Collins was an exceptionally devoted and hardworking  
3 Georgia REALTOR® who stood for others as a shining example of the profession; and
- 4 WHEREAS, this University of Georgia graduate was born February 9, 1948, in Louisville,  
5 Georgia, to Dorothy and William Collins; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he was a lifetime Georgia Bulldog fan, seeking out a television when away from  
7 home so he would not miss an opportunity to see his Dawgs play; and
- 8 WHEREAS, this beacon of generosity could be counted on to perform any role in which  
9 he was asked to serve and to give his time and assistance to anyone in need, not out of  
10 obligation but out of his desire to help those in his profession and in his community; and
- 11 WHEREAS, as an active member of the Athens Area Association of REALTORS® (AAAR)  
12 and the Georgia Association of REALTORS® (GAR), he took on expansive roles  
13 representing REALTORS®, serving as AAAR 's President in 1998 and being recognized as  
14 REALTOR® of the Year for AAAR in 2002; and
- 15 WHEREAS, at the time of his passing on November 11, 2006, he was serving as the Vice  
16 President of Governmental Affairs for GAR and a member of the Georgia Real Estate  
17 Commission Task Force; and
- 18 WHEREAS, he also found time to stay actively involved in the community by volunteering  
19 his time with the Georgia Fire Fighters Burn Foundation, the United Way, and the Boys and  
20 Girls Club of Athens and sharing his real estate knowledge as the Building Committee  
21 Chairman of the Oconee River Methodist Church; and

1 WHEREAS, he utilized the services of an interpreter in order to reach out to more than 60  
2 Hispanic families in the Athens area to help them in their pursuit of the American dream of  
3 owning their own homes; and

4 WHEREAS, his humble dedication to work, community, family, and God set an example for  
5 others to follow; and

6 WHEREAS, while in life he commanded the esteem of his fellow Georgians, in his passing  
7 we mingle our sympathies with the grief of his family and friends.

8 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
9 the members of this body join in remembering and honoring William Littleton Collins for  
10 his dedication and service to his profession, his community, and the citizens of the State of  
11 Georgia.

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
13 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of William  
14 Littleton Collins.