

House Resolution 583

By: Representative Casas of the 103rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life and memory of Rev. Paul David Curtis; and for other purposes

2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its most distinguished citizens when Rev. Paul
3 David Curtis of Stone Mountain answered his summons for eternal rest on February 24,
4 2007, at the age of 71; and

5 WHEREAS, Rev. Curtis, a native of Texas, grew up in Alaska and returned to Texas, where
6 he spent his teenage years on a ranch and was an All State player in football; and

7 WHEREAS, he attended the University of Houston on a Basketball Scholarship then
8 transferred to Southwestern Assemblies of God University and received his BA in ministry;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, he married the love of his life, Thelmarie, in 1960, and they traveled extensively
11 throughout the world as a missionary team; and

12 WHEREAS, he was a journalist and photographer who worked for several newspapers and
13 taught high school and college journalism, and he was a director of Teen Challenge in Los
14 Angeles and Chicago and director of the CBN-700 Club in Atlanta; and

15 WHEREAS, his devotion to his community was surpassed only by his immense love for his
16 family, and he is survived by his wife of 46 years, Thelmarie Curtis; daughter and
17 son-in-law, Shahna and Darren Duerksen; sons and daughter-in-law, Gregory Curtis and Paul
18 David Jr. and Thomsa Curtis; grandchildren, Ciera, Rebecca, Mariah, Isabella, Elizabeth,
19 Michael, and Ethan; and a host of other loving relatives, friends, and neighbors; and

20 WHEREAS, in life he commanded the esteem of his fellow Georgians; at his death it is
21 fitting and proper that we offer our sympathies to his family and friends.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
2 the members of this body join in honoring the life of this dedicated spiritual leader, Rev. Paul
3 David Curtis, express their deepest regret at his passing, and extend their most sincere
4 condolences to his family.

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
6 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Rev. Paul
7 David Curtis.