House Resolution 687 By: Representative Ralston of the 7<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Emmie Claire Howard and Reagan Elizabeth Hardy; and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, Emmie Claire Howard and Reagan Elizabeth Hardy are the cofounders of
Southern Proper, a Southern-inspired line of clothing, neckties, bow ties, and accessories for
men who appreciate fine apparel; and

5 WHEREAS, the company, founded in 2005 and based in Atlanta, Georgia, has been
6 recognized for its unique, Southern-inspired designs in various publications, including *The*7 Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Y'all Magazine, Raleigh Metro Magazine, and Atlanta
8 Magazine; and

9 WHEREAS, after meeting at the Women's College of Brenau University in Gainesville,
10 Georgia, Reagan and Emmie formed a friendship that became a successful business
11 partnership as these entrepreneurs created a company inspired by their love of Southern
12 gentlemen and fashion; and

WHEREAS, after only one full year on the market, Southern Proper ties have becomeincreasingly popular and are available in over 50 stores throughout the country; and

WHEREAS, this clothing and accessories line that celebrates the Southeast is a tribute to thehard work and entrepreneurship in Georgia.

## 17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that

18 the members of this body commend Emmie Claire Howard and Reagan Elizabeth Hardy for

19 their achievements and the success of their company, Southern Proper.

- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
   and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Emmie Claire Howard and
- 22 Reagan Elizabeth Hardy.