

House Resolution 725

By: Representative Hudson of the 124th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring and remembering the life of Melvin Leslie, Sr.; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its most distinguished citizens with the passing
3 of Melvin Leslie, Sr., on March 20, 2007, at the age of 96; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Leslie was the fourth child of the late Reo Bowen Leslie and the late
5 Sancture Bass Leslie; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he was a member of the Trinity CME Church where he served as a grave
7 digger, a sexton, a steward, and a trustee; and
- 8 WHEREAS, he was especially proud to have assisted in the construction of the naval base
9 in Perryville, Maryland, and the hospital, barracks, and mess hall at Fort Gordon in Augusta;
10 and
- 11 WHEREAS, he also took great pride in his experience as a ship fitter, builder, and welder
12 on the USS *Tidewater* and other impaired naval vessels; and
- 13 WHEREAS, later in his life he became a master farmer and gardener; and
- 14 WHEREAS, he demonstrated his love for children by 11 years of service as a bus driver for
15 the Hancock County School System; and
- 16 WHEREAS, he was a true patriarch to his children, grandchildren, family, and friends and
17 will be dearly missed; and it is fitting and proper that we extend sympathy to his family and
18 friends.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
2 the members of this body join together to express their deepest regret at the passing of
3 Melvin Leslie, Sr., and extend their most sincere condolences to his family.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
5 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Melvin Leslie,
6 Sr.