

House Resolution 1282

By: Representative Carter of the 159th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring Mr. Emmett Walstein Boddiford and Mrs. Gracie LaRue Smoak Boddiford on the
2 occasion of their fiftieth wedding anniversary; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, 50 years ago, Mr. and Mrs. Boddiford were joined in holy matrimony on
4 February 14, 1958, at Newington United Methodist Church by Reverend Jody Robertson in
5 Newington, Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Emmett Boddiford was born in Sylvania, Georgia, to Josie and Leicester
7 Boddiford and Mrs. Gracie Boddiford was born in Newington, Georgia to Verdie Mae and
8 Laurie Smoak; and

9 WHEREAS, their marriage has produced two children: Dixie Denise Boddiford and Derrick
10 Wydell Boddiford; and

11 WHEREAS, they are the proud grandparents to four grandchildren: Betsy Heddleson,
12 Monica Collins, Erich Williams, and Kirbie Williams; and

13 WHEREAS, they have two great grandchildren: Makala Nettles and Natalie Heddleson; and

14 WHEREAS, they moved to Chatham County shortly after their marriage, as Mr. Boddiford
15 became employed by Union Bag, which later became Union Camp and today is known as
16 International Paper; and

17 WHEREAS, they bought a home in Port Wentworth, Georgia, in July, 1961, and still live in
18 that home today; and

19 WHEREAS, they joined Port Wentworth United Methodist Church shortly after moving to
20 Port Wentworth; and

1 WHEREAS; in the early 1960s Mrs. Boddiford went to work at Stone and Webster, and she
2 later left to become the secretary at Port Wentworth United Methodist Church; and

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Boddiford retired from Union Camp in 1993, and Mrs. Boddiford retired
4 from the church in 2004; and

5 WHEREAS, throughout 50 years of hardship, triumph, and joy, this couple has strongly
6 maintained their love and devotion for each other, and the longevity of their happy marriage
7 has been a testament to others.

8 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
9 the members of this body commend and congratulate Mr. Emmett Walstein Boddiford, and
10 Mrs. Gracie LaRue Smoak on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary and extend
11 their sincere wishes for many more happy years together.

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 Mr. and Mrs. Emmett
14 Boddiford.