

## House Resolution 1813

By: Representatives Rogers of the 26<sup>th</sup>, Mills of the 25<sup>th</sup>, Collins of the 27<sup>th</sup>, and Benton of the 31<sup>st</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life of and expressing regret at the passing of Albert Delmas Cronia III; and for  
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, on March 23, 2008, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest and most  
4 distinguished citizens with the passing of Albert Delmas Cronia III; and

5 WHEREAS, this long-time resident of Gainesville, Georgia, was long recognized by the  
6 citizens of his community for the vital role he played in leadership and for his deep personal  
7 commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia and the United States; and

8 WHEREAS, this extraordinary man served as a member of the United States Marine Corps,  
9 attaining the rank of sergeant; and

10 WHEREAS, upon completing his tour of duty he went to work for Southern Railroad as a  
11 lineman, then joined the Brunner Company in Gainesville, Georgia, as office sales manager,  
12 and, in 1959, he joined the J. D. Jewel Company where he held positions of divisional,  
13 regional, and military sales manager in the frozen food service division, and throughout the  
14 remainder of his professional career he worked with the food service industry in Georgia and  
15 Florida; and

16 WHEREAS, as the father of five children, he was an active member of his community  
17 coaching the Youth Football League and serving as a Cub Scout pack leader; and

18 WHEREAS, he was an active member of the First Presbyterian Church, the Elks Club, and  
19 several professional food industry organizations, and he was an avid golfer, enjoyed water  
20 sports, and especially enjoyed fishing and golfing with his grandchildren; and

21 WHEREAS, he was a loving husband to his wife of 59 years, Margaret "Meta" Runnels  
22 Cronia and a devoted father to his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren; and

1 WHEREAS, this singular gentleman was a person of magnanimous strengths with an  
2 unimpeachable reputation for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and

3 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that we recognize and honor the life of this  
4 generous, kind, and devoted family man.

5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
6 the members of this body express their deepest and most sincere regret at the passing of  
7 Albert Delmas Cronia III and commend him for a lifetime of efficient, effective, unselfish,  
8 and dedicated service to his community and the state.

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
10 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Albert Delmas  
11 Cronia III.