

House Resolution 2080

By: Representative Dempsey of the 13th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life and memory of Henry James Erwin; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Georgia lost one of its most distinguished citizens with the passing of Henry
3 James Erwin on September 21, 2007; and

4 WHEREAS, Henry James Erwin was born on October 24, 1982, the beloved son of Paul and
5 Marcy Erwin and brother of Spence and Meggie Beth; and

6 WHEREAS, this free spirited and hard working young businessman owned Henry's Smoke
7 Shack, and his passion for cooking made it one of the best barbecue restaurants in Georgia;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, Henry Erwin had a great love and respect for nature and the wilderness as was
10 seen through his beautiful paintings which captured nature's essence and were inspired by
11 the days of peace he spent in the wilderness areas of the United States; and

12 WHEREAS, this amazingly principled man was able to combine his passions for nature and
13 for helping others through his wilderness training and he was certified as both a Wilderness
14 Emergency Technician and in Swift Water Rescue and also successfully completed the
15 National Outdoor Leadership School in Alaska; and

16 WHEREAS, he will long be remembered by his many friends, family, and acquaintances as
17 an extraordinary young man who gave of his heart to each person who had the fortune to
18 know him; and

19 WHEREAS, Henry James Erwin was an honorable gentleman, an amazing artist, a real
20 friend, a valiant champion for goodwill, and a great lover of nature, and he will be sorely
21 missed by all those who knew him.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
2 the members of this body join in honoring the life of Henry James Erwin, remembering him
3 for the many contributions he made to the citizens of this state, and expressing their sorrow
4 at his passing.

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 Henry James
7 Erwin.