

House Resolution 2082

By: Representative Dempsey of the 13<sup>th</sup>

### A RESOLUTION

1 Expressing regret at the passing of Bruce Walter Hamler; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia recently lost one of its finest and most distinguished  
3 citizens with the passing of Bruce Walter Hamler; and

4 WHEREAS, he was an honest and dedicated public servant who strove for excellence in all  
5 his endeavors and whose primary concern was the welfare and safety of the citizens of this  
6 state; and

7 WHEREAS, this beloved gentleman exhibited extraordinary devotion to duty, outstanding  
8 loyalty, fine leadership, and meticulous attention to detail in all his duties throughout his  
9 career of peerless public service with the city of Rome, for 38 years, serving as the  
10 superintendent of the water department, superintendent of public works, and as city manager;  
11 and

12 WHEREAS, according to legend, he was familiar with nearly every water and sewer line in  
13 Rome, and he encouraged the city to complete the mapping of all the sewer lines in the city;  
14 and

15 WHEREAS, he was respected and admired by all who worked with him and was known for  
16 standing behind his employees; and

17 WHEREAS. Mr. Hamler, a Missouri native, grew to love the South and loved NASCAR  
18 races; and

19 WHEREAS, his unparalleled organizational and leadership talents, his remarkable patience  
20 and diplomacy, his keen sense of vision, and his acute sensitivity to the needs of the citizens  
21 of his community and state earned him the respect and admiration of his colleagues and  
22 associates; and

1 WHEREAS, the passing of this generous, kind, and devoted man leaves an unfillable void  
2 in the hearts and lives of his family and friends across the state, and he will be especially  
3 missed by the citizens of Rome.

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
5 the members of this body express their deepest and most sincere regret at the passing of  
6 Bruce Walter Hamler; commend the care, courage, sympathy, and selfless dedication he  
7 exhibited; and extend to his family their utmost appreciation for his having so purely and  
8 truly defined for others the meaning of public servant.

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 Bruce Walter  
11 Hamler.