

House Resolution 2125

By: Representatives Dempsey of the 13th and Reece of the 11th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Remembering and honoring the life of Commissioner Napoleon Fielder and expressing
- 2 regrets at his passing; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, on February 21, 2008, Georgia lost one of its finest citizens and most
- 4 distinguished public servants with the passing of Napoleon Fielder; and
- 5 WHEREAS, in 1980, the honorable Napoleon Fielder became the first black commissioner
- 6 appointed to the City of Rome Commission and he went on to serve in that position for more
- 7 than two decades before resigning his position in 2002; and
- 8 WHEREAS, he had an amazing career of service to the citizens of the City of Rome and he
- 9 helped to pave the way for other black public officials in Georgia and throughout the nation;
- 10 and
- 11 WHEREAS, this distinguished gentleman had a kind heart and loving spirit and he was
- 12 committed to humbly serving others; and
- 13 WHEREAS, he was most noted for his saying, "working together works," and he strived to
- 14 succeed by working together with all those who sought to serve the people, earning the
- 15 reputation as a great peace maker; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Napoleon Fielder was a tremendous leader, loved and admired by friends,
- 17 family, and all those who had the fortune to know him; and
- 18 WHEREAS, he served his country honorably as a United States Army veteran including
- 19 combat service in World War II and the Korean War and remained in the United States Army
- 20 Reserves until 1975; and

1 WHEREAS, Napoleon Fielder served his community in many capacities and occupations,
2 was a member of numerous associations and commissions, and wherever he worked it was
3 always a job well done; and

4 WHEREAS, Commissioner Fielder will be remembered as a strong and determined advocate
5 for civil and human rights and an insightful community leader who demonstrated great
6 dedication to the betterment of the City of Rome and the quality of life of its citizens.

7 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
8 the members of this body join to express their deepest regret at the passing of Commissioner
9 Napoleon Fielder and extend their sincere condolences to his family.

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
11 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Commissioner
12 Napoleon Fielder.