

House Resolution 1464

By: Representatives Holt of the 112th, Collins of the 95th, and Lunsford of the 110th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Mr. Eddie Phillips; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens
3 with the passing of Mr. Eddie Phillips on February 7, 2010; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Phillips was born on June 15, 1941, in DeKalb County, Georgia, a beloved
5 son of the late Edward and Mary Phillips; and
- 6 WHEREAS, a graduate of Avondale High School, Mr. Phillips served as a guardian of this
7 nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Air Force Reserves and was called to
8 active duty during the Cuban Missile Crisis; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Mr. Phillips began his career in the insurance industry, working for Liberty
10 National Insurance Company in Atlanta and Independent Life in Covington, before entering
11 the field of real estate, attending night classes to earn a brokers license and opening Key
12 Realty Company in Covington; and
- 13 WHEREAS, he became a State of Georgia Certified General Real Estate Appraiser, served
14 on the Tax Assessors Board of Newton County, and provided leadership and guidance to the
15 National Association of Master Appraisers as treasurer for the Georgia Chapter; and
- 16 WHEREAS, committed to uplifting the lives of his neighbors in Newton County, Mr.
17 Phillips was a member of the Tree Board and Parking Authority of the City of Covington,
18 a past member of the Lions Club, and a past Exalted Ruler of the Covington Elks Lodges
19 #1806; and
- 20 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Phillips was an active member of First
21 United Methodist Church of Covington, where he was a long-time member and had served
22 as a Sunday school teacher; and

23 WHEREAS, Mr. Phillips was united in love and marriage for 48 wonderful years to his
24 adoring wife, Carolyn, and was blessed with the love of his daughters and sons-in-law, Dana
25 and Tommy Knight, Sherie and Tim McCart, and Paige and Jim Alexander; and five
26 grandchildren, Travis, Austin, Zack, Alana, and Laura; and

27 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
28 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness and, by the example he made of his life, he
29 made this world a better place in which to live; and

30 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Mr. Phillips will long be remembered for
31 his family and friendship, and this loyal husband, brother, father, grandfather, and friend will
32 be missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing him.

33 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
34 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Mr. Eddie Phillips and
35 express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
37 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. Eddie
38 Phillips.