

## House Resolution 1764

By: Representatives Parrish of the 156<sup>th</sup>, Channell of the 116<sup>th</sup>, Ralston of the 7<sup>th</sup>, Keen of the 179<sup>th</sup>, Jones of the 46<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Mr. A.D. "Pete" Correll and inviting him to be recognized by  
2 the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mr. A.D. "Pete" Correll was raised in Brunswick, Georgia, and earned a  
4 bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of Georgia and a master's  
5 degree in pulp and printing paper technology and chemical engineering from the University  
6 of Maine; and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Correll developed his business acumen at an early age, helping his mother  
8 run the family store, Correll's Men's Store in Brunswick, after his father's sudden passing  
9 when he was only 12; and

10 WHEREAS, he diligently and conscientiously devoted his time, talents, and energy to  
11 Georgia-Pacific, where he served as senior vice president, chief operating officer, chief  
12 executive officer, and executive vice president; and

13 WHEREAS, during his time with Georgia-Pacific, Mr. Correll demonstrated strong  
14 leadership skills and integrity and dedication in the face of adversity and helped transform  
15 a failing timber company to the world's largest producer of tissue products, dramatically  
16 increasing the company's stock value; and

17 WHEREAS, Mr. Correll established the Elizabeth F. Correll Teen Center in honor of his late  
18 mother, a 20,000 square foot facility in Brunswick that provides students with opportunities  
19 to succeed and features an art studio, computer lab, music studio, basketball court, movie  
20 theater, athletic field, and fishing pond; and

21 WHEREAS, in honor of his wife's mother's memory, Pete and Ada Lee Correll constructed  
22 a community learning center, the Sudie A. Fulford Community Learning Center on the  
23 campus of East Georgia College, providing the students of the Swainsboro campus with

24 access to an educational technology center constructed by environmentally friendly LEED  
25 standards; and

26 WHEREAS, his vision and guidance have been instrumental for numerous civic,  
27 government, and community organizations, and his leadership as chairman of Grady Health  
28 System has led to a complete overhaul of the largest hospital in this state and earned him the  
29 title of 2010 Trustee of the Year for large health care organizations by *Modern Healthcare*  
30 magazine; and

31 WHEREAS, Mr. Correll helped organize funding necessary for the renovation of Ebenezer  
32 Baptist Church, where Martin Luther King, Jr., preached, by encouraging ten companies to  
33 pledge \$100,000 a piece to ensure a vital piece of American history was restored to its glory  
34 days; and

35 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this  
36 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

37 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
38 the members of this body recognize Mr. A.D. "Pete" Correll for his incredible service to his  
39 community and the State of Georgia, commend his generosity which has improved the lives  
40 of countless students in this state, and invite him to be recognized by the House of  
41 Representatives at a date and time to be determined by the Speaker of the House of  
42 Representatives.

43 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
44 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. A.D. "Pete" Correll.