

House Resolution 1877

By: Representative Greene of the 149<sup>th</sup>

#### A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Mr. Grady Holman, Jr.; 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. Grady Holman, Jr.; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Holman was born on February 2, 1917, in Blakely, Georgia, a beloved son  
5 of Grady Holman, Sr., and May Fulton Holman; and
- 6 WHEREAS, a graduate of Blakely Union High School, Mr. Holman earned a bachelor's  
7 degree from Clemson University, where he was a standout member of the school's varsity  
8 football team; and
- 9 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United  
10 States military during World War II, valiantly and courageously protecting his fellow  
11 Americans as a member of Company B, 60th Infantry, 9th Division during campaigns in  
12 Normandy, Northern France, the Ardennes, and Rhineland; and
- 13 WHEREAS, during his military career, Mr. Holman received a Distinguished Service Cross,  
14 a Distinguished Unit Badge, a Purple Heart with two oak leaf clusters, a European African  
15 Middle Eastern Theater Medal with four bronze stars, an American Theater Medal, and a  
16 Victory Medal; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Mr. Holman diligently and conscientiously devoted his time, talents, and energy  
18 to the residents of Early County for 28 years as the county's land surveyor and owned  
19 Holman Land Surveying; and
- 20 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Holman was an active member of Blakely  
21 First United Methodist Church since 1927; and

22 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to Mary Lodge Holman, on January 3, 1940,  
23 and was blessed with four remarkable children, Grady, James, Celia, and Nancy; and

24 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern  
25 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his  
26 family and friends were admired by others; 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. Holman will long be remembered for  
31 his love of family and friendship, and this loyal husband, father, patriot, brother, and friend  
32 will 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. Grady Holman, Jr.,  
35 and 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. Grady  
38 Holman, Jr.