

## House Resolution 2117

By: Representatives Thompson of the 104<sup>th</sup>, Abrams of the 84<sup>th</sup>, and Benfield of the 85<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Dr. Ralph L. Buice; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest and most distinguished citizens with  
3 the passing of Dr. Ralph L. Buice, Jr., on February 24, 2010; and
- 4 WHEREAS, he was a 39-year veteran of Fernbank Science Center and the DeKalb County  
5 School System; and
- 6 WHEREAS, as a chemistry instructor, he inspired hundreds of students in Independent Study  
7 Classes, the Scientific Tools and Techniques Program, and other Fernbank study programs;  
8 and
- 9 WHEREAS, in recent years he served as mentor to teachers and worked with students doing  
10 independent research projects, and he was instrumental in developing the partnership with  
11 NASA's Science, Engineering, Mathematics, and Aerospace Academy at the science center;  
12 and
- 13 WHEREAS, he enjoyed traveling and often took guests with him on his adventures  
14 throughout the world; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Dr. Buice is survived by his brother, Rick Buice; sister-in-law Fran Buice;  
16 nieces Kristi and Elizabeth Buice; and other family and many friends.
- 17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
18 the members of this body express regret at the passing of Dr. Ralph L. Buice, convey  
19 condolences to his grieving family and friends, and join in honoring the life and memory of  
20 Dr. Ralph L. Buice and in expressing their appreciation for his dedicated public service to  
21 science and to education.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
23 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Dr. Ralph L.  
24 Buice, and to Fernbank Science Center.