

House Resolution 42

By: Representatives Smith of the 168th, Richardson of the 19th, and Keen of the 179th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Mr. Ted Murray; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, in 2005, Mr. Ted Murray purchased the 18 hole Blueberry Plantation Golf
3 Course in Alma, Georgia; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Murray, the successful business owner of a precision bolt manufacturing
5 company in South Florida and his wife, Carey, made Alma their permanent home in 2006,
6 even though they had originally planned to remain in Florida; and
- 7 WHEREAS, upon the Murray's relocation to Bacon County, Georgia, the couple also brought
8 Mr. Murray's bolt manufacturing company; and
- 9 WHEREAS, the transfer of Mr. Murray's business created 35 new jobs in the Alma
10 community; and
- 11 WHEREAS, in 2008, the Murray's partnered with Eckart and Natalia Hentschel to construct
12 The Inn at Blueberry Plantation, which includes lodging, dining, and conference areas; and
- 13 WHEREAS, the addition of The Blueberry Plantation Inn to the already greatly successful
14 Blueberry Plantation Golf Course has created 28 new jobs in the City of Alma and Bacon
15 County; and
- 16 WHEREAS, the Blueberry Plantation Golf Course hosts many tournaments throughout the
17 year, including the Blueberry Tournament in June and the Club Championship in the fall; and
- 18 WHEREAS, the Murray's have been notable philanthropists in Alma, hosting numerous
19 charitable golf events at the Blueberry Plantation Golf Course that contribute thousands of
20 dollars to scholarships for economically disadvantaged students throughout Southeast

21 Georgia and promoting youth golf by providing free green fees for all young golfers,
22 amounting to approximately \$30,000 a year; and

23 WHEREAS, Ted and Carey Murray have been blessed with six wonderful children: Tommy,
24 Kim, Dylan, Blake, Chelsea, and Flaire, as well as two grandchildren; and

25 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia is honored to have such motivated and hard-working
26 individuals as citizens.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
28 the members of this body recognize Mr. Ted Murray for his great contributions to the
29 economic growth and development of the City of Alma and Bacon County, Georgia.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is hereby
31 authorized and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Ted Murray.