

## House Resolution 574

By: Representative Hudson of the 124<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life and memory of Mr. Johnnie Frank Baker; 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. Johnnie Frank Baker on February 18, 2009, when an F-3 tornado  
4 destroyed his home on Hickory Grove Road in Hancock County, Georgia; and

5 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Baker was an active member of Hickory  
6 Grove Baptist Church, which was also destroyed in the tornado; and

7 WHEREAS, he was a proud and shining example of enduring love and affection and saw his  
8 progeny grow and flourish over a span of two descending generations through the lives of  
9 his two daughters, Angela and Lakeshia, and his four grandchildren, QyAsya, Nakaiya,  
10 Jermaine, and ZaaCarria; and

11 WHEREAS, the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated provided the  
12 foundation and framework of success in which all of his family members have developed and  
13 flourished; and

14 WHEREAS, this distinguished Georgian gave inspiration to many through his high ideals,  
15 morals, and deep concern for his fellow citizens and he possessed the vast wisdom which  
16 only comes through experience and the strength of character which is achieved through  
17 overcoming the many challenges of life; and

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

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
22 the members of this body express their deepest and most sincere regret at the passing of Mr.  
23 Johnnie Frank Baker.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
25 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. Johnnie  
26 Frank Baker.