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Senate Resolution 648

By: Senators Pearson of the 51st, Mullis of the 53rd, Thomas of the 54th, Hawkins of the 49th, Butterworth of the 50th and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Mrs. Mary Ellen Childree; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia celebrates the life of one of its most distinguished citizens,
- 3 Mrs. Mary Ellen Childree; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mrs. Childree was born in Augusta, Georgia, a beloved daughter of Mattie E.
- 5 Harter and Charles W. Harter, Sr.; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Mrs. Childree earned a bachelor's degree from Augusta College and a master's
- 7 degree from the University of Georgia; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Mrs. Childree was united in love and marriage to Dr. Bob Childree on April 26,
- 9 1969, and they were blessed with two remarkable sons, Carl and Timothy, and a delightful
- 10 grandson, Wesley; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Mrs. Childree was instrumental in the formation of the Chapel Christian
- 12 Academy, where she served as principal, instructor, and board member, and was one of the
- 13 founders of the Pickens County Pregnancy Center; and
- 14 WHEREAS, a woman devoted to the Republican Party, Mrs. Childree served as chairman
- of the Pickens County GOP for three terms and was on the executive board of the 9th District
- 16 GOP and was a State Committee member; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Mrs. Childree was passionate about imparting knowledge to others and
- inspiring them to reach their utmost potential as evidenced by her work as a Sunday school
- 19 instructor, a women's Bible study leader, and her serving as a public school teacher for ten
- 20 years and as a home school teacher for her children for 14 years; and

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21 WHEREAS, an avid gardener, biker, hiker, and camper, Mrs. Childree enjoyed spending

- 22 time in nature and taking in the outdoors; and
- 23 WHEREAS, Mrs. Childree was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable
- 24 reputation for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and her faith and leadership
- 25 continue to serve as an inspiration to others; and
- 26 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous woman, the passing of Mrs. Childree affected
- 27 the lives of many; she will long be remembered for her love of God, country, family, and
- 28 friendship; and this loyal wife, mother, neighbor, and friend will be missed by all who had
- 29 the great fortune of knowing her.
- 30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 31 join in honoring the life and memory of Mrs. Mary Ellen Childree and commending her
- 32 accomplishments and contributions to the State of Georgia.
- 33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 34 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mrs. Mary Ellen Childree.