

House Resolution 686

By: Representative Carter of the 159<sup>th</sup>

#### A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Mr. George Eugene Smith; 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. George Eugene Smith on March 11, 2009; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Smith was born on March 14, 1932, in Savannah, Georgia, a beloved son  
5 of the late Charles and Hortense Smith; and
- 6 WHEREAS, a graduate of Savannah High School, Mr. Smith served as a guardian of this  
7 nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Air Force during the Korean War; and
- 8 WHEREAS, after his service in the military, Mr. Smith worked for M & M Supermarkets,  
9 where he retired as Vice President of Operations in 1987 after over 23 years of dedicated and  
10 loyal leadership; and
- 11 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Smith was an active member of  
12 Morningside Baptist Church, serving as a deacon, treasurer, and Sunday school teacher, on  
13 the transition committee, and on the Wednesday night supper kitchen committee; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Mr. Smith was united in love and marriage for over 48 years to his caring and  
15 devoted wife, Sylvia, and he was brought great happiness and joy from his son and  
16 daughter-in-law, Timothy and Karen; and
- 17 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation  
18 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness and, by the example he made of his life, he  
19 made this world a better place in which to live; and

20 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Mr. Smith will long be remembered for his  
21 love of family and friendship, and this loyal husband, father, neighbor, and friend will be  
22 missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing him.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
24 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Mr. George Eugene Smith  
25 and express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
27 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. George  
28 Eugene Smith.