

House Resolution 764

By: Representatives Baker of the 78th, Keen of the 179th, and Wilkinson of the 52nd

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the Golden Isles Shag Club and Mr. Kennan Carter, owner of Ziggy
2 Mahoney's; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Golden Isles Shag Club (GISC) was formed in August of 1989 by a handful
4 of residents of Glynn County, Georgia, who shared a mutual affection for Carolina beach
5 music and shag dancing; and

6 WHEREAS, formed with the purpose of promoting and preserving the Carolina Shag, the
7 GISC has grown from a small dedicated group to an annual membership of over 100; and

8 WHEREAS, to keep the tradition of shag dancing alive, the GISC offers shag dance lessons,
9 performs public instructional demonstrations, and hosts dance events; and

10 WHEREAS, since 1991, the GISC has hosted an annual party called The Sand Gnat
11 Shag-A-Ganza in Jekyll Island, Georgia, attracting hundreds of shag enthusiasts from
12 Georgia, Florida, South Carolina, and North Carolina; and

13 WHEREAS, the GISC is a member of the Association of Carolina Shag Clubs, which serves
14 as a parent organization for shag clubs across the country in nearly 100 cities with
15 approximately 10,000 members; and

16 WHEREAS, on March 16, 1994, the GISC held its first gathering at Mr. Kennan Carter's
17 club, Ziggy Mahoney's in St. Simons, and these dedicated dancers have been shagging there
18 once a week ever since; and

19 WHEREAS, the GISC has heightened the appreciation of shagging with dedicated officers
20 Judy Bennett, Tom Holmes, Donita Taylor, and Frank Cullen; and board members Angie
21 Michael, Jim Belvin, Jim Royal, Pat Rountree, Richard Applegate, Jimmy Stevenson, and
22 Phyllis Buffkin.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
24 the members of this body commend the Golden Isles Shag Club for preserving the Carolina
25 Shag and its rich historical traditions and recognize Mr. Kennan Carter for providing the
26 Golden Isle Shag Club with an amazing venue for their gatherings.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
28 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Golden Isles Shag Club
29 and Mr. Kennan Carter.