

## House Resolution 1005

By: Representative Hatfield of the 177<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Mr. Ricky Joe Harwood; 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. Ricky Joe Harwood on July 3, 2008; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Harwood was born in Waycross, Georgia, a beloved son of the late Donald  
5 Edward Harwood and Arlene Smart Harwood; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United  
7 States army as a lieutenant; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Mr. Harwood dedicated 28 years to the Ware County and Fulton County School  
9 Systems, inspiring and challenging young minds as an educator; and
- 10 WHEREAS, during his tenure with Ware County High School, he was responsible for  
11 building the school's Nature Center, which has served many generations of students; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Mr. Harwood was united in love and marriage for 35 years with his adoring  
13 wife, Nancy, and was blessed with the love of two sons, Nicholas and Aaron, and numerous  
14 nieces and nephews; and
- 15 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation  
16 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and, by the example he made of his life, he  
17 made this world a better place in which to live; and
- 18 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Mr. Harwood will long be remembered for  
19 his love of country, family, and friendship, and this loyal husband, father, uncle, and friend  
20 will be missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing him.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
22 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Mr. Ricky Joe Harwood  
23 and express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

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. Ricky Joe  
26 Harwood.