

House Resolution 1011

By: Representative Hatfield of the 177th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Mrs. Jacqueline Smith McCrary; 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 Mrs. Jacqueline Smith McCrary on February 20, 2009; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mrs. McCrary was born on August 9, 1922, the beloved daughter of T. Lee
5 Smith and Emmie Dillard Smith, and graduated from Waycross High School in 1939; and
- 6 WHEREAS, she inspired and challenged young minds as an educator in the Waycross and
7 Ware County School Systems and served as an employment counselor at Slash Pine
8 Community Action Agency for 19 years, helping to change the lives of countless Georgians;
9 and
- 10 WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, Mrs. McCrary was a member of Waycross
11 First United Methodist Church since the age of nine and was a talented pianist and
12 seamstress; and
- 13 WHEREAS, she was a devoted member of the Rose Garden Club, Music Club, and Friends
14 of the Library, and she was honored by the *Waycross Journal-Herald* as Mother of the Year
15 in 1983; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Mrs. McCrary was united in love and marriage to Thomas Alton McCrary in
17 1942 and was blessed with three daughters, Martha, Mary, and Virginia; three sons, Thomas,
18 Richard, and Roger; 11 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren; and
- 19 WHEREAS, she gave inspiration to many through her high ideals, morals, and deep concern
20 for her fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding she demonstrated to
21 her family and friends was admired by others; and

22 WHEREAS, she was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
23 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and, by the example she made of her life,
24 she made this world a better place in which to live; and

25 WHEREAS, Mrs. McCrary will long be remembered for her love of music, family, and
26 friendship, and this loyal wife, mother, grandmother, and friend will be missed by all who
27 had the great fortune of knowing her.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
29 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Mrs. Jacqueline Smith
30 McCrary and express their deepest and most sincere regret at her passing.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
32 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mrs.
33 Jacqueline Smith McCrary.