

House Resolution 107

By: Representatives Wilkinson of the 52nd, Smyre of the 132nd, Lucas of the 139th, Hanner of the 148th, Brooks of the 63rd, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing Mr. James G. Ledbetter on the occasion of his retirement and inviting him to
2 be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mr. James G. Ledbetter has long been recognized by the citizens of this state
4 for the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the
5 welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, he has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,
7 talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced
8 dramatically by his superlative service for the past 30 years working with the Georgia
9 General Assembly on behalf of state agencies; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Ledbetter earned a bachelor's degree from Baylor University, a master's
11 degree from Stephen F. Austin College, a doctoral degree from the University of Georgia,
12 and graduated from Harvard University's program for senior executives in state and local
13 government; and

14 WHEREAS, he dedicated 16 years to Georgia's Department of Human Resources, serving
15 as both deputy director and director of the division of rehabilitation and as the department
16 commissioner; and

17 WHEREAS, Mr. Ledbetter has served as executive director of the Georgia Health Policy
18 Center at Georgia State University, where he grew the center from a staff of two to 23 and
19 helped secure support and maintain relationships with Georgia's academic and health care
20 communities; and

21 WHEREAS, since 2001, Mr. Ledbetter has worked tirelessly for the University of Georgia's
22 Carl Vinson Institute of Government, where he served as director for five years and part time
23 legislative services coordinator since 2006; and

24 WHEREAS, Mr. Ledbetter's significant organizational and leadership talents, his remarkable
25 patience and diplomacy, his keen sense of vision, and his sensitivity to the needs of the
26 citizens of this state have earned him the respect and admiration of his colleagues and
27 associates; and

28 WHEREAS, Mr. Ledbetter has served the State of Georgia with honor and distinction and
29 his vision and unyielding commitment will be sorely missed upon the occasion of his
30 retirement; and

31 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
32 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

33 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
34 the members of this body commend Mr. James G. Ledbetter for his efficient, effective,
35 unselfish, and dedicated public service to the State of Georgia; congratulate him upon the
36 grand occasion of his retirement; and invite him to be recognized by the House of
37 Representatives at a date and time to be determined by the Speaker of the House of
38 Representatives.

39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
40 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. James G. Ledbetter.