

House Resolution 136

By: Representatives Ralston of the 7th, Jones of the 46th, O'Neal of the 146th, Peake of the 137th, Davis of the 109th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life and memory of the Honorable Tony Sellier and inviting Mrs. Judy Sellier
2 to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens
4 and public servants with the passing of Representative Tony Sellier on November 30, 2010;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, Representative Sellier was born in Pointe-a-Pierre, Trinidad, was raised in the
7 oil camps of Venezuela, came to the United States at the age of 15, and earned a bachelor's
8 degree from the University of West Florida; and

9 WHEREAS, Representative Sellier began his corporate career in 1970 with Burlington
10 Industries, where he served as an internal auditor, and in 1975, he accepted a position in Fort
11 Valley, Georgia, with Blue Bird Corporation; and

12 WHEREAS, during his 35-year career with Blue Bird, Representative Sellier held numerous
13 positions, including manager of audit and special projects and corporate director of financial
14 services; and

15 WHEREAS, he was elected in 2006 to represent House District 136, which includes parts
16 of Bibb, Crawford, Houston, Lamar, Monroe, Peach, and Upson counties; and

17 WHEREAS, Representative Sellier served on the House Committees on Agriculture and
18 Consumer Affairs, Defense and Veterans Affairs, Education, and Health and Human
19 Services; and

20 WHEREAS, Representative Sellier was united in love and marriage to his wife, Judy, and
21 was blessed with three remarkable children, Rodney, Heather, and Amy; and

22 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern
23 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his
24 family and friends were admired by others; and

25 WHEREAS, fluent in both English and Spanish, Representative Sellier volunteered his free
26 time as an interpreter, educator, and cultural liaison through his church's migrant ministry;
27 and

28 WHEREAS, Representative Sellier's presence in the General Assembly has been sorely
29 missed by his colleagues, but the influence he had upon the people of Georgia will be ever
30 present.

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
32 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Representative Tony
33 Sellier, express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing, and invite Mrs. Judye
34 Sellier to be recognized by the House of Representatives at a date and time to be determined
35 by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
37 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Representative
38 Tony Sellier.