

House Resolution 359

By: Representative Harden of the 28th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Mr. G.A. "Lefty" Cronic; 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. G.A. "Lefty" Cronic on January 13, 2011; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Cronic was born on February 12, 1923, in Gwinnett County, Georgia, a
5 beloved son of the late Jesse and Mattie Lee Cronic; and
- 6 WHEREAS, a graduate of Gainesville High School, Mr. Cronic earned a bachelor's degree
7 from Piedmont College, completed a master's degree at Western Carolina University, and
8 attended Louisville Theological Seminary; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Mr. Cronic dedicated his life to challenging and enriching the lives of students
10 through education, beginning his teaching career in Maysville; teaching mathematics at
11 Banks County High, Lula Elementary, and East Hall High schools; and serving as principal
12 at Hickory Flat, Clermont, and Lula Elementary schools; and
- 13 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
14 States Navy, valiantly and courageously protecting his fellow Americans in the Pacific
15 during World War II; and
- 16 WHEREAS, a sports enthusiast, Mr. Cronic had a brief career with the Atlanta Crackers in
17 the early 1940's and played in industrial leagues in and around Gainesville and North
18 Georgia; and
- 19 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Cronic served as a Baptist minister in
20 churches in his community for over 40 years and enjoyed spending time with others who
21 shared his love for the Holy Scripture; and

22 WHEREAS, Mr. Cronic was united in love and marriage for 62 wonderful years to Evelyn
23 McDuffie "Duff" Cronic and was blessed with the support of his children, Eddie and Ann
24 Payne, David and Sue Cronic, Steve and Shanna Cronic, and Philip Cronic; and

25 WHEREAS, in addition to his wife and children, Mr. Cronic leaves behind many who will
26 cherish his memory, including five grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, and his nephew,
27 Neal Cronic; and

28 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
29 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness and, by the example he made of his life, he
30 made this world a better place in which to live; and

31 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Mr. Cronic will long be remembered for
32 his love of family and friendship, and this loyal husband, father, grandfather, uncle, and
33 friend will be missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing him.

34 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
35 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Mr. G.A. "Lefty" Cronic
36 and express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
38 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. G.A.
39 "Lefty" Cronic.