

House Resolution 482

By: Representatives Dudgeon of the 24th, Ashe of the 56th, Walker of the 107th, and Brockway of the 101st

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending native son and Georgia Tech professor Dr. Don P. Giddens
2 upon his retirement as Dean of the College of Engineering; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Dr. Don P. Giddens is Dean of the College of Engineering at the Georgia
4 Institute of Technology, serves as the university's Lawrence L. Gellerstedt, Jr., Chair in
5 Bioengineering, and is a Georgia Research Alliance Eminent Scholar; and

6 WHEREAS, born in Augusta, Georgia, Dr. Giddens attended the Richmond Academy in
7 Augusta, Georgia; and

8 WHEREAS, Dr. Giddens has dedicated more than 50 years of his life to the Georgia Institute
9 of Technology as both a student and faculty member, receiving his bachelor's, master's, and
10 doctoral degrees from the school and joining the faculty as an Associate Professor in 1968;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, Dr. Giddens has served as School Chair of Aerospace Engineering at the
13 Georgia Institute of Technology, Dean of Engineering at Johns Hopkins University,
14 Founding Chair of the Joint School of Biomedical Engineering with Emory University and
15 the Georgia Institute of Technology, and Dean of Engineering at the Georgia Institute of
16 Technology; and

17 WHEREAS, he is author and co-author of over 300 publications, book chapters, and
18 presentations, and made significant scientific contributions in biofluid mechanics, vascular
19 function, vascular grafts, and hemodynamics of carotid arteries; and

20 WHEREAS, Dr. Giddens is a member of the National Academy of Engineering, serves on
21 the National Advisory Council of the National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and
22 Bioengineering of National Institutes of Health, and will serve as President of the American
23 Society of Engineering Education; and

24 WHEREAS, native son Dr. Giddens has brought honor and esteem to his family, the Georgia
25 Institute of Technology, this state, and this nation through his contributions to the field of
26 engineering, to engineering education, and to the engineering community at large.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
28 the members of this body commend Dr. Don P. Giddens for his sustained contributions to
29 this state and the greater engineering community and congratulate him on the occasion of his
30 retirement.

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 Dr. Don P. Giddens.