

House Resolution 1187

By: Representatives Smyre of the 132nd, Hugley of the 133rd, Smith of the 131st, Buckner of the 130th, and Smith of the 129th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of James O. Brown; 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 James O. Brown on December 9, 2011; and
- 4 WHEREAS, James was born on October 10, 1935, in Phenix City, Alabama, a beloved son
5 of the late George C. and Sadie Willis Brown; and
- 6 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, James was an active member of Franchise
7 Missionary Baptist Church during his youth and early adulthood, and he continued to serve
8 Jesus Christ as a faithful member of New Bethel Baptist Church in Americus, Georgia; and
- 9 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to Jean Brown and was blessed with five
10 remarkable children, Venessa Bright, Angela Dillon, Charles Benton, Regena McNeil, and
11 Victor Benton, and five adored grandchildren, Rameses James Bright, Brittany and Brandon
12 McNeil, and Ebony and Charles Benton, III; and
- 13 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern
14 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his
15 family and friends were admired by others; and
- 16 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
17 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example he made of his life, he
18 made this world a better place in which to live in; and
- 19 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, James O. Brown will be long remembered
20 for his love of family and friendship, and this loyal son, husband, father, grandfather, and
21 friend will be missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing him.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
23 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of James O. Brown and
24 express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
26 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of James O.
27 Brown.