

## House Resolution 1475

By: Representatives Epps of the 140<sup>th</sup> and Black of the 174<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Honorable Gene Maddox on the occasion of his retirement  
2 from the Georgia House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

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

6 WHEREAS, his leadership has been invaluable as a member of the House Committees on  
7 Health and Human Services, Economic Development and Tourism, Retirement, and Human  
8 Relations and Aging, as well as having served as Secretary of the Agriculture and Consumer  
9 Affairs Committee and Chairman of the Agriculture Expo Overview Committee; and

10 WHEREAS, a retired Doctor of Veterinary Medicine, he graduated from Jackson High  
11 School and attended Abraham Baldwin Agriculture College for two years before transferring  
12 to the University of Georgia, where he later graduated with a degree in Veterinary Medicine  
13 in 1959; and

14 WHEREAS, he has been honored numerous times, including being named Veterinarian of  
15 the Year in 2006, Distinguished Alumni in 2009, and Legislator of the Year by the Georgia  
16 Firefighters Association in 2010, and received the Community Service Award from the  
17 Grady County Chamber of Commerce; and

18 WHEREAS, active in his community, Dr. Maddox is a member of the professional  
19 organizations AVMA, GVMA, and SGVMA, as well as belonging to and serving the  
20 Georgia Cattlemen's Association and serving on the Grady County Economic Development  
21 Authority; and

22 WHEREAS, he is united in love and marriage to his wife Patsy, and together they are blessed  
23 with four remarkable sons, Stanley, Steven, Todd, and Patrick, and ten adored grandchildren;  
24 and

25 WHEREAS, during his eight years of service in the legislature, he has made 320 trips to  
26 Atlanta at 510 miles for each round trip, which equals to 163,200 miles driven not including  
27 special session or committee days; and

28 WHEREAS, although Representative Maddox's presence on the House floor will be sorely  
29 missed by his colleagues upon his retirement, the influence he has had upon the people of  
30 Georgia will be ever present.

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
32 the members of this body commend their esteemed colleague, the Honorable Gene Maddox,  
33 on his selfless, efficient, and effective service to the State of Georgia and extend to him  
34 sincere best wishes for a happy and healthy retirement.

35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
36 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Honorable Gene  
37 Maddox.