

House Resolution 1576

By: Representative Anderson of the 117th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Kelley Family; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, parents Donna and Tim Kelley started out many years ago playing bluegrass
3 and Gospel music in nursing homes and churches where Donna played piano and guitar and
4 Tim played banjo and guitar; and

5 WHEREAS, the Kelley Family Band consists of Donna and Tim's five remarkable children,
6 22 year-old Brittany who plays piano; 20 year-old Timothy who plays fiddle, violin, guitar,
7 mandolin, and viola; 12 year-old Peppy who plays piano, fiddle, mandolin, violin, and guitar;
8 nine-year-old Victoria who plays piano, fiddle, and violin; and six-year-old Daniel who plays
9 fiddle and violin; and

10 WHEREAS, Brittany and Timothy are both music education majors at Augusta State
11 University where Brittany studies voice and piano and Timothy studies violin and voice; and

12 WHEREAS, Brittany and Timothy own and operate Kelley Music Studio, a music studio
13 where they have been teaching voice, piano, fiddle, mandolin, guitar, and viola for the last
14 five years; and

15 WHEREAS, the Kelley family has received numerous honors, including Peppy who has won
16 the Georgia-Carolina Talent Competition in 2010 playing fiddle; Peppy and Victoria who
17 won second place in the Columbia County Talent Competition in 2011 for singing and
18 playing fiddle; and Timothy who won the Fort Gordon Teen Talent Competition in 2010
19 playing fiddle and the Georgia-Carolina Talent Competition, the Columbia County Talent
20 Competition, and the Augusta State University Talent Competition in 2011 playing fiddle,
21 mandolin, and singing; and

22 WHEREAS, the Kelley Family has had the opportunity to play with bluegrass legends such
23 as Little Roy Lewis, Lizzy Long, and Earl Scruggs and Gospel legends such as The
24 Inspirations and The Weatherfords; and

25 WHEREAS, the Kelley Family has been featured in several newspaper articles and
26 performed on television and radio shows; and

27 WHEREAS, Peppy released her own CD in 2011 entitled *Me and My Fiddle*, and the family
28 is currently working on their first family CD; and

29 WHEREAS, the Kelley Family consistently provides extraordinary entertainment as
30 performers and the State of Georgia is proud that these talented musicians call this state
31 home.

32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
33 the members of this body commend the Kelley Family on their remarkable accomplishments
34 in the music industry, recognize their exemplary service uplifting the lives of others, and
35 extend their most sincere best wishes for future success.

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 Kelley Family.