

## House Resolution 1618

By: Representatives Dickey of the 136<sup>th</sup>, Peake of the 137<sup>th</sup>, Epps of the 140<sup>th</sup>, Beverly of the 139<sup>th</sup>, Randall of the 138<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life and memory of Elizabeth Walton Bowen "Chunk" Reichert; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens  
4 with the passing of Elizabeth Walton Bowen "Chunk" Reichert on February 22, 2012; and

5 WHEREAS, Chunk, a name her father gave her when he called her his "chunk" of gold, was  
6 born on July 2, 1915, in Macon, Georgia, a beloved daughter of the late Orsamus Allan  
7 Bowen and Louise Margaret Napier Bowen; and

8 WHEREAS, she was an honor student in high school and upon graduation was awarded a  
9 silver loving cup for Best All Around Student; and

10 WHEREAS, she attended Duke University where she was elected President of her Freshman  
11 Class and President of the Student Government Association her senior year, was one of seven  
12 students selected for the White Duchess Honor Society, and graduated in 1937; and

13 WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, Chunk was an active member of Vineville  
14 United Methodist Church where she was a leader of the church circle and long-time member  
15 of the Ed Cook Class; and

16 WHEREAS, active in civic and cultural affairs, Chunk served as a member of Historic  
17 Macon, Inc., Macon Symphony Orchestra, and Macon Concert Association and President of  
18 the Junior League of Macon, History Club of Macon, and Morning Music Club; and

19 WHEREAS, Chunk, along with Libby Timberlake and Betty Timberlake, established the W.  
20 Derrell Hazlehurst Scholarship Fund at Mercer Medical School; and

21 WHEREAS, she was united in love and marriage for 75 years to the late Albert Phillips  
22 Reichert, and was blessed with three remarkable sons, Albert Phillips, Jr., Stephen Allan, and  
23 Robert Adger Bowen; four wonderful grandchildren, Albert Phillips Reichert III, John  
24 Walker Reichert, Elizabeth Bowen Reichert, and Thomas Dunwody Reichert; and three  
25 adored great-grandchildren, Eden Pape, Luna Walker, and Sarana Burnam Reichert; and

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

29 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous woman, Chunk will long be remembered for her  
30 love of family and friendship, and this loyal daughter, wife, mother, grandmother,  
31 great-grandmother, and friend will be missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing  
32 her.

33 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
34 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Elizabeth Walton Bowen  
35 "Chunk" Reichert and express their deepest and most sincere regret at her passing.

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 family of Elizabeth  
38 Walton Bowen "Chunk" Reichert.