

Senate Resolution 1299

By: Senator McKoon of the 29th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Mr. Sam Rawls; 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 Mr. Sam Rawls in August of 2011; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Rawls was chairman of Knight-Rawls, Incorporated, and a long-time
5 member of the Rotary Club; and
- 6 WHEREAS, active in his community, Mr. Rawls was president of Columbus Life
7 Underwriters, Columbus Chapter of CLU, and The Estate Planning Council of Columbus;
8 chairman of the board of Regions Bank; and member of the boards of the Springer Theatre
9 Company, the Columbus Symphony, the foundation board of St. Francis Hospital, and the
10 advisory board of Strategic HR Partners; and
- 11 WHEREAS, he was presented the order of Saint Maurice at Fort Benning for his support of
12 the infantry; and
- 13 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Rawls was an active member of Trinity
14 Episcopal Church; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Mr. Rawls was united in love and marriage to Jacquie for 55 years; and
- 16 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern
17 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his
18 family and friends were admired by others; and
- 19 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
20 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness and, by the example he made of his life, he
21 made this world a better place in which to live; and

22 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Mr. Rawls will long be remembered for his
23 love of family and friendship, and this loyal son, husband, and friend will be missed by all
24 who had the great fortune of knowing him.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
26 join in honoring the life and memory of Mr. Sam Rawls and express their deepest and most
27 sincere regret at his passing.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
29 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. Sam Rawls.