

House Resolution 2159

By: Representative Hatfield of the 177<sup>th</sup>

#### A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Mr. William Harris Sutton; 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. William Harris Sutton on January 21, 2012; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Sutton was born on March 9, 1921, in Rochelle, Georgia, a beloved son of  
5 the late Baxter Sutton and Gertrude Harris Sutton; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty in the Army Air  
7 Corps, valiantly and courageously protecting his fellow Americans during World War II;  
8 and
- 9 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Sutton was an active member of Central  
10 Baptist Church; and
- 11 WHEREAS, he was a member of the Merrymakers, Ware County Exchange Club, the  
12 Okefenokee Lion's Club, and the Ware County Republican Party; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Mr. Sutton was united in love and marriage to Sue Jones Sutton and was  
14 blessed with five remarkable children, Billie Smith, Frances Gattis, Lonnie Harris Sutton, Dr.  
15 Roy Sutton, and Bob Sutton, ten wonderful grandchildren, five adored great-grandchildren,  
16 and a breathtaking great-great-grandson; and
- 17 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern  
18 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his  
19 family and friends were admired by others; and

20 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation  
21 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness and, by the example he made of his life, he  
22 made this world a better place in which to live; and

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

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
28 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Mr. William Harris Sutton  
29 and express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
31 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. William  
32 Harris Sutton.