

House Resolution 2166

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

### A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Mr. Eustace Bernell "Dick" Tanner; 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. Eustace Bernell "Dick" Tanner on March 4, 2012; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Tanner was born on February 2, 1926, in Ware County, Georgia, a beloved  
5 son of the late Merritt Tanner and Eugenia Thompson Lee; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United  
7 States Navy; and
- 8 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Tanner was an active member of Central  
9 Baptist Church; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Mr. Tanner was united in marriage to Lillian Moye Tanner and was blessed  
11 with five remarkable children, Janice Renee Sweat, Marilyn Tanner Mobley, Marikaye  
12 Hyers, James Norris Tanner, and Gregory Niel Tanner; eight wonderful grandchildren; and  
13 five adored great-grandchildren; and
- 14 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern  
15 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his  
16 family and friends were admired by others; and
- 17 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation  
18 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness and, by the example he made of his life, he  
19 made this world a better place in which to live; and

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

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
24 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Mr. Eustace Bernell  
25 "Dick" Tanner and express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
27 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. Eustace  
28 Bernell "Dick" Tanner.