

House Resolution 2180

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

#### A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Mr. Lamar Gibson; 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. Lamar Gibson on November 14, 2011; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Gibson was born on August 17, 1928, in Charlton County, Georgia, a  
5 beloved son of the late Charles Henry Gibson and Jewell Barker Gibson; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United  
7 States Army, valiantly and courageously protecting his fellow Americans in Berlin, West  
8 Germany, during the early years of the Cold War; and
- 9 WHEREAS, he was a member of his church's John Wesley Sunday School Class, the  
10 Waycross Fishing Club, and the Waycross and Georgia Bar Associations; and
- 11 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Gibson was an active member of Trinity  
12 United Methodist Church; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Mr. Gibson was united in love and marriage to Betty Jo Jones Gibson, and was  
14 blessed with three remarkable sons, Douglas, Rusty, and Jody, and five wonderful  
15 grandchildren, Julie, Taylor, Addie, Russ, and Greta; 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. Gibson will long be remembered for  
23 his love of family and friendship, and this loyal son, husband, father, grandfather, and friend  
24 will be missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing him.

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

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
29 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. Lamar  
30 Gibson.