

House Resolution 3EX

By: Representative Ralston of the 7th

A RESOLUTION

1 Expressing the utmost regret at the passing of the Honorable Bobby Franklin; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the world lost a man of deep faith, strong character, and unshakable conviction
4 with the tragic and untimely passing of the Honorable Bobby Franklin in July of 2011; and

5 WHEREAS, Representative Franklin was born in Birmingham, Alabama on February 13,
6 1955, the beloved son of Robert and Betty Franklin, and moved to Cobb County, Georgia in
7 1992; and

8 WHEREAS, he was a graduate of Covenant College in Lookout Mountain, Georgia where
9 he received a degree in both Biblical Studies and Business Administration; and

10 WHEREAS, Representative Franklin's work as a corporate controller, CFO, and business
11 analyst allowed him to develop sound business and fiscal principles; and

12 WHEREAS, he was most noted as a principled conservative who was committed first to his
13 Lord Jesus and second to liberty, and he was man who believed strongly in the personal
14 liberty upon which this nation was founded; and

15 WHEREAS, Representative Franklin entered the Georgia House of Representatives in 1997,
16 and at the time of his passing served as Vice Chairman of the Information and Audits
17 Committee, as Vice Chairman of the Legislative and Congressional Reapportionment
18 Committee, and as a member of the Banks and Banking and Judiciary, Non-civil
19 Committees; his previous service included membership on the Natural Resources and
20 Environment and Special Judiciary Committees and chairmanship of the Legislative and
21 Congressional Reapportionment Committee; and

22 WHEREAS, he was held in esteem by his colleagues for his deep and sincere beliefs and was
23 known for saying "there is never a right time to do wrong"; and

24 WHEREAS, Bobby Franklin was a loving father to his three children and a faithful and
25 active member of the Reformed Presbyterian Church; and

26 WHEREAS, he was also a man who diligently and conscientiously served the people of
27 Georgia, never wavering from his conviction to his principles, and he will be sorely missed.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
29 the members of this body join in remembering and venerating the Honorable Bobby Franklin
30 for his dedication to his community, his state, and his country and express their sincere
31 appreciation for his commitment to the democratic principles that are the foundation of the
32 United States of America.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
34 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of the Honorable
35 Bobby Franklin.