

House Resolution 75EX

By: Representatives Benton of the 31st and McCall of the 30th

A RESOLUTION

1 Remembering and honoring the life of Paula Niven Hardy and expressing regrets at her
2 passing; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost a beloved and wonderful citizen with the passing of
4 Paula Niven Hardy on August 7, 2011; and

5 WHEREAS, Paula Hardy was born in Gainesville, Georgia, on September 7, 1938, the
6 beloved daughter of the late Noama Niven Pugh and Paul Harrison Niven; and

7 WHEREAS, she was a 1957 graduate of Gainesville High School, received her Bachelor of
8 Arts degree in Home Economics from Brenau Women's College, and received her Education
9 degree from the University of Georgia; and

10 WHEREAS, she was an outstanding and respected educator who taught for 32 years in the
11 Commerce City School System; and

12 WHEREAS, her commitment to her community was demonstrated by her active service with
13 many civic organizations, including the Alpha Gamma Delta sorority, the Delta Kappa
14 Gamma Educational Sorority, the Commerce Garden Club, the Tumbling Waters Society,
15 the Girl Scouts of America, the Cub Scouts, the American Red Cross, Meals on Wheels,
16 Friends of the Library, and the Women's Auxiliary of the Commerce Fire Department; and

17 WHEREAS, Mrs. Hardy also served as a coordinator for "Our Town" play production and
18 was the swim coach for the Commerce "Tiger" Sharks from 1989-1992; and

19 WHEREAS, she was recognized and admired by her peers and colleagues and received
20 numerous honors and awards, including Outstanding Young Woman Award, Commerce
21 Elementary School Teacher of the Year Award, Georgia Parks and Recreation Society

22 Volunteer Award, and Brenau University's Outstanding Alumnae Award in Community
23 Service; and

24 WHEREAS, Paula was a devoted wife to her husband Charles Lambdin Hardy, Jr., and a
25 loving mother to her three children Tracey Hardy Newcomer, Charles Lambdin Hardy III,
26 and Ellen Hardy Shea, and a proud grandmother to her six grandchildren; and

27 WHEREAS, she had a love for life and brought joy and happiness to all those who came into
28 contact with her through her sweet and loving spirit; and

29 WHEREAS, this remarkable lady was filled with much strength of character and grace, and
30 she will long be remembered in the hearts of those who loved her dearly.

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
32 the members of this body remember and honor the life of Paula Niven Hardy and express
33 their deepest regrets on her passing with sincerest condolences to her family.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House is authorized and directed to
35 transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Paula Niven Hardy.