

House Resolution 87

By: Representative Brooks of the 55th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Winston MacArthur Strickland; 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 Winston MacArthur Strickland on November 27, 2012; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Strickland, or "Strick," was a successful barbershop, grill, laundromat,
- 5 taxi service, and record store owner; and
- 6 WHEREAS, a dedicated entrepreneur, Strick was born in Paulding County and moved to
- 7 Bartow County when he was a young boy; and
- 8 WHEREAS, he graduated from Summer Hill High School before attending Brown Barber
- 9 College in Atlanta and graduating in 1962; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Strick took on the barbering profession purely out of devotion to providing for
- 11 his family, and his barbershop in Marietta became a business landmark and a place of refuge
- 12 for many a customer; and
- 13 WHEREAS, he was the deserved recipient of the Cobb County Bar Association "Liberty
- 14 Bell" award in April, 2012, the highest citizen honor the association awards to a nonbar
- 15 member; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Strick was appointed to the Georgia Board of Barbers in 1983 and elected the
- 17 first African American president of the National Association of Barbers in 1994; and
- 18 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to Mrs. Rosetta Decatur Strickland and was
- 19 blessed with two cherished daughters, Michele Stickland and Monique Strickland-Hall; and

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

23 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Winston MacArthur Strickland will long
24 be remembered for his love of family and friendship, and this loyal public servant and friend
25 will be missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing him.

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

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
30 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Winston
31 MacArthur Strickland.