

House Resolution 855

By: Representatives Benton of the 31st and England of the 116th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life and memory of Mr. Herbert Brown "Kit" Braselton, Sr.; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens
4 with the passing of Mr. Herbert Brown "Kit" Braselton, Sr., on February 15, 2013; and

5 WHEREAS, he was born on February 16, 1920, in Braselton, Georgia, a beloved son of
6 Green and May Duncan Braselton; and

7 WHEREAS, after attending Braselton High School and the University of Georgia, he was
8 commissioned as an Ensign in the United States Navy, where he valiantly served on five
9 Naval ships, rising to the rank of Lieutenant; and

10 WHEREAS, in 1946, he returned home and joined his father's firm, known as Braselton
11 Brothers, as manager of the hardware department, and eventually became joint manager,
12 alongside his brother Herman, of the Braselton Improvement Company Hardware and
13 Building Materials; and

14 WHEREAS, he dutifully served on the town council for 33 years, including one term as
15 mayor, and was director of the Braselton Banking Company; and

16 WHEREAS, he was united in marriage to the love of his life, Peggy Lee Watlington, and was
17 blessed with two children, Rebecca and Herbert, Jr., and grandsons, Charles, Justin, Westley,
18 Herbert III, John, and Windy; and

19 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Braselton was an active member of Zion
20 Baptist Church, where he was chairman of the Deacons and a teacher of Joy in Evangelism;
21 and

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

25 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Mr. Braselton will long be remembered and
26 missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing him.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
28 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Mr. Herbert Brown "Kit"
29 Braselton, Sr., and express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
31 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. Herbert
32 Brown "Kit" Braselton, Sr.