

House Resolution 1195

By: Representative Brooks of the 55th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life and memory of Christopher Tobian Artis; 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 Christopher Tobian Artis, affectionately known as Chris, who was born
4 to Tamara Artis at Grady Hospital on January 3, 1989, in the City of Atlanta; and

5 WHEREAS, at an early age, Chris attended East Lake United Methodist Church where he
6 was christened by Reverend Jesse G. Gordon, served as an acolyte, and sang in the Children's
7 Choir; and

8 WHEREAS, Chris was an active member of the Boy Scouts, and, while attending Martin
9 Luther King High School, was a very enthusiastic member of the marching band; he also
10 served as a cameraman for the Alcovy High School Newsletter Staff; and

11 WHEREAS, his greatest joy was when he was chosen to be a member of the Video
12 Broadcasting Team, which produced the Alcovy High School newscast and other school
13 programs and activities; and

14 WHEREAS, as an upbeat, outgoing, and fun-loving person, Chris was truly blessed with a
15 talent for any and everything surrounding computer technology and repair, which landed him
16 a job with a computer programmer, helping him grow his business; and

17 WHEREAS, Christopher's best buddy was not a peer but his grandfather, Frederick Artis,
18 who acted as his mentor, his advisor, and, most importantly, his friend; 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, Chris will long be remembered for his love
23 of family and friendship and will be missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing him;
24 and

25 WHEREAS, he leaves to love, honor, and cherish his memory a loving and devoted mother,
26 Tamara Dawkins; stepfather, Edward Dawkins; sister, Olympia Mechelle Smith;
27 grandparents, Frederick and Bettye Artis; aunts, Brenda Lewis, Alishia Morgan, Fericka
28 Artis-Key, and Nadia Artis; cousins, Va'Shida Gunn, Michael Kuku, Ashley Morgan, Adrian
29 Morgan, Reagan Key, Sterling Key, and Aidan Fripp; and a host of other relatives and
30 friends.

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
32 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Christopher Tobian Artis
33 and express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
35 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of
36 Christopher Tobian Artis.