

House Resolution 1434

By: Representatives Rogers of the 29th, Hawkins of the 27th, Dunahoo of the 30th, and Barr of the 103rd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Mr. Robert "Bob" William Braff; 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 Mr. Robert "Bob" William Braff on December 28, 2013; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Braff was born on August 8, 1929, in Duluth, Minnesota, the youngest of
5 seven siblings; and
- 6 WHEREAS, a graduate of the University of Minnesota, Mr. Braff worked for Standard Oil
7 of Indiana, and in 1974, he and his business partner bought Clipper Petroleum and developed
8 the chain of Circle M Food Marts in northeast Georgia; and
- 9 WHEREAS, an accomplished golfer, Mr. Braff discovered his passion for the game of golf
10 at an early age, with a swing that was poetry in motion and an ability to strike the ball with
11 amazing precision; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Mr. Braff's golfing highlights include two state high school championships;
13 shooting his age at 69 years old; playing world class courses like Augusta National, St.
14 Andrews, and Troon; and shooting a hole-in-one while playing with Masters champion
15 Tommy Aaron;
- 16 WHEREAS, a community leader, Mr. Braff was actively involved in Kiwanis Club,
17 Chattahoochee Country Club, Chattahoochee Golf Course, Chicopee Golf Course, Georgia
18 Oilmen's Association, Boy Scouts of America, and St. Michael Catholic Church; and
- 19 WHEREAS, Mr. Braff was united in love and marriage to his devoted wife, Margaret
20 Kathleen Braff, and was blessed with the support of his remarkable children, Kimberly and
21 Kent Igleheart, Michael Braff, Kathleen and Kevin Brown, and Kourtney and Simon Harper,
22 and wonderful grandchildren, Carson, Parks, Davis, and Grace; and

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

26 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Mr. Braff will long be remembered for his
27 love of family and friendship, and this loyal husband, father, grandfather, brother, and friend
28 will be missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing him.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
30 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Mr. Robert "Bob" William
31 Braff and express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
33 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. Robert
34 "Bob" William Braff.