

House Resolution 1869

By: Representatives Martin of the 49th, Jones of the 47th, Riley of the 50th, Geisinger of the 48th, Willard of the 51st, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Judge Jim Matoney on the occasion of his retirement; and for
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Judge Jim Matoney was overwhelmingly elected to serve as Municipal Court
4 Judge for the City of Alpharetta in November of 2005, after serving as a city councilman
5 since February, 1994; and

6 WHEREAS, Judge Matoney brought a wealth of knowledge and experience, having obtained
7 an engineering degree from the Carnegie Institute of Technology in 1952, achieved a
8 successful 36-year career with Shell Oil Company, obtained a law degree from Mercer
9 University in 1991, provided free legal services to battered women and the needy, and served
10 on the Alpharetta City Council for 11 years; and

11 WHEREAS, as a liaison to engineering and public works, he was instrumental in numerous
12 intersection improvements and the completion of Westside Parkway; and

13 WHEREAS, in his position as sitting judge, he performed his duties with calm reason and
14 wise leadership; and

15 WHEREAS, Judge Matoney's warm and caring personality has endeared him to countless
16 friends, neighbors, co-workers, and citizens throughout the community, especially as he sat
17 in his judge's robes and pronounced a sentence which would be fair and compassionate; and

18 WHEREAS, he is united in love and marriage to Lois and is an active member of Alpharetta
19 First United Methodist Church; and

20 WHEREAS, Judge Matoney has served with honor and distinction with the Municipal Court
21 of Alpharetta and his vision and unyielding commitment will be sorely missed upon the
22 occasion of his retirement; and

23 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
24 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
26 the members of this body commend Judge Jim Matoney for his efficient, effective, unselfish,
27 and dedicated public service to the City of Alpharetta and the State of Georgia; congratulate
28 him upon the grand occasion of his retirement; and extend to him their most sincere best
29 wishes for continued health and happiness.

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 Judge Jim Matoney.