

## House Resolution 1996

By: Representatives Clark of the 98<sup>th</sup>, Dunahoo of the 30<sup>th</sup>, Teasley of the 37<sup>th</sup>, Barr of the 103<sup>rd</sup>, Duncan of the 26<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Truett Cathy; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Truett Cathy was born March 14, 1921, in Eatonton, Georgia. He has had a  
3 tremendous effect on our state and the lives of many, and through his success, he has given  
4 generously to many worthwhile causes; and

5 WHEREAS, he married Jeannette McNeil, who he met at age eight at West End Baptist  
6 Church and to whom he has been a faithful and devoted husband. Jeannette has supported  
7 his faith and entrepreneurial spirit, and together they founded the WinShape Foundation; and

8 WHEREAS, he has been a devoted father to his children, who have been not only an integral  
9 part of his life, but also part of Chick-fil-A, which Truett Cathy founded; and

10 WHEREAS, he has been an ardent member of his church through his teaching in Sunday  
11 school for more than 50 years, and he has implemented policy for his employees to allow  
12 time for worship and to promote family togetherness and health; and

13 WHEREAS, his diligent and conscientious efforts have been recognized with the numerous  
14 awards Chick-fil-A has recently received, including placing 3rd in The Temkin's Group  
15 report in 2013 and being recognized as a 2012 Forbes Inspiring Company; and

16 WHEREAS, he has had tremendous entrepreneurial successes with Chick-fil-A, which he  
17 attributes to the commitment of his people to the purpose, mission, principles, and product  
18 that he has developed and to adequate rewards for their excellent performance; and

19 WHEREAS, he established a scholarship program with Berry College to assist restaurant  
20 employees in attaining a college education, and this special program has significantly  
21 improved the opportunities for personal growth and development among aspiring young  
22 people; and

23 WHEREAS, he also established the WinShape Marriage program which provides counseling  
24 and retreats for couples, and this program has helped to promote healthy marriages and  
25 families for countless people; and

26 WHEREAS, he also established the WinShape Foster Care program which maintains nine  
27 foster care homes and a summer camp for disadvantaged children and sponsors an annual  
28 golf tournament, Chick-fil-A Charity Championship, in support of this charity; and

29 WHEREAS, he created a summer camp for students with hopes of giving children the  
30 opportunity to sharpen their character, deepen their faith, and build relationships with others;  
31 and

32 WHEREAS, his leadership and charitable giving highlights his power of philanthropy to  
33 achieve positive change and genuine results for many.

34 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
35 the members of this body commend Truett Cathy for his many accomplishments and  
36 outstanding contributions to the welfare of this state.

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
38 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Truett Cathy.