

House Resolution 120

By: Representative Morris of the 156<sup>th</sup>

#### A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Mr. Joe Rewis Strickland; 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. Joe Rewis Strickland on July 3, 2014; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Joe Strickland was a lifelong resident of Montgomery County, where he  
5 managed his family farm, which has been in operation for five generations; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he retired from the Georgia Department of Transportation as the Assistant Area  
7 Engineer after 37 years of service; and
- 8 WHEREAS, upon his retirement from the Department of Transportation, Joe Strickland  
9 served five terms as the Montgomery County coroner, where he strove to help members of  
10 his community deal with their grief over the passing of their loved ones; and
- 11 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Joe Strickland was kind and considerate to the  
12 needy and quick to offer prayer for those who were suffering; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Joe Strickland was united in love and marriage to Sharon Harrison Strickland,  
14 and was blessed with a remarkable son, Dr. J. Stacy Strickland, a loving daughter-in-law,  
15 Keri Bland Strickland, and a wonderful granddaughter, Joesy Pauline Strickland; and
- 16 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern  
17 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his  
18 family and friends were admired by others; 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, Joe Strickland will long be remembered  
23 for his love of family and friendship, and this loyal husband, father, and friend will be missed  
24 by all who had the great fortune of knowing him.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
26 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Mr. Joe Rewis Strickland  
27 and express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
29 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the  
30 family of Mr. Joe Rewis Strickland.