

House Resolution 158

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 Mrs. Geneva R. Mitchell; 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 Mrs. Geneva R. Mitchell on January 5, 2015; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mrs. Geneva R. Mitchell was born on October 23, 1919, a beloved daughter of
5 Thomas Rutledge and Eula Sharpton Rutledge; and
- 6 WHEREAS, she served as a Red Cross volunteer in Clayton County and attended Morrow
7 First Baptist Church until 1986, when she moved to Gainesville, Georgia; and
- 8 WHEREAS, she continued volunteering for the Red Cross in Gainesville and also
9 volunteered at Lanier Park Hospital, Guest House, and the Family Life Center; and
- 10 WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, Mrs. Geneva R. Mitchell was an active
11 member of First Baptist Church in Gainesville, where she attended the Winsome Sunday
12 School class, which she dearly loved; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Mrs. Geneva R. Mitchell was united in love and marriage to Chester Mitchell,
14 and was blessed with two remarkable daughters, Paula Elwell and Cherly Christian, four
15 wonderful grandchildren, Greg Elwell, Brian Elwell, Erin Christian, and Kim Christian, and
16 seven exceptional great-grandchildren, Corey, Austin, Emily, Kobe, Jack, Carson, and Zoe;
17 and
- 18 WHEREAS, she gave inspiration to many through her high ideals, morals, and deep concern
19 for her fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding she demonstrated to
20 her family and friends were admired by others; and

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

24 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous woman, Mrs. Geneva R. Mitchell will long be
25 remembered for her love of family and friendship, and this loyal wife, mother, and friend will
26 be missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing her.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
28 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Mrs. Geneva R. Mitchell
29 and express their deepest and most sincere regret at her passing.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
31 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
32 family of Mrs. Geneva R. Mitchell.