

House Resolution 727

By: Representative Hitchens of the 161st

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing, honoring, and commending Clyde Green Chapman and Theron C. Chapman
2 on the occasion of their 70th wedding anniversary; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Clyde Green Chapman was born on September 23, 1926, and Theron C.
4 Chapman was born on January 3, 1921, and both have lived long fruitful Christian lives; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Chapman served in the U.S. Navy in World War II aboard LST310, home
6 ported in Key West, Florida, until after the Japanese notified their intent to surrender on
7 August 14, 1945, when he was transferred to Fort McHenry, Maryland, on Labor Day
8 weekend of 1945; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Chapman elected to travel home to Pooler, Georgia, while transiting to his
10 new duty station knowing that the war was at an end and the official Japanese instrument of
11 surrender was to be signed on September 2, 1945, aboard the battleship USS Missouri in
12 Tokyo Bay; and

13 WHEREAS, while at home in Pooler, Georgia, before leaving for Fort McHenry, Mr.
14 Chapman and his fiancée were joined in holy matrimony on Victory over Japan Day (VJ
15 Day), which was Sunday, September 2, 1945, at the Port Wentworth Baptist Church with the
16 Reverend J. W. Grooms officiating; and

17 WHEREAS, when Mr. Chapman was released from the Navy in December, 1945, he
18 returned home to Pooler to be with his wife and to begin a career with Bright Brooks Lumber
19 Company in Savannah, Georgia, where he was employed for ten years; and

20 WHEREAS, Mr. Chapman later formed his own company, The Chapman Cabinet Shop,
21 which he successfully operated until his retirement; and

22 WHEREAS, the Chapman marriage has been one of devotion, patience, and understanding
23 to one another that has provided the Christian foundation and framework of success in which
24 all of their family members have developed and flourished; and

25 WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Chapman's marriage was blessed with two sons, Theron C.
26 "Buddy" Chapman and James Chapman; and

27 WHEREAS, the Chapman family has served as exemplary citizens who have made many
28 contributions to their family, their church, their community, the State of Georgia, and our
29 nation; and

30 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that Mr. and Mrs. Chapman be congratulated
31 on their many years of happiness and their magnificent 70 year commitment to each other.

32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
33 the members of this body recognize, honor, and commend Clyde Green Chapman and
34 Theron C. Chapman on the grand occasion of their 70th wedding anniversary and extend
35 sincere best wishes for many more happy years together.

36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
37 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to Clyde
38 Green Chapman and Theron C. Chapman.