House Resolution 937

By: Representatives Smyre of the 135th, Hugley of the 136th, Smith of the 134th, Buckner of the 137th, and Pezold of the 133rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life and memory of Lieutenant Colonel Reginald Leon Pugh, Sr.; and for other

- 2 purposes.
- WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens
 with the passing of Lieutenant Colonel Reginald Leon Pugh, Sr.; and

5 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Pugh was born on March 3, 1954, in Memphis, Tennessee;
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WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
States Army, valiantly and courageously protecting his fellow Americans and retiring as
Lieutenant Colonel; and

WHEREAS, he obtained his bachelor's degree in social work from Freed Hardeman University; earned his master's degree in social work from the University of Tennessee; and graduated from Command and General Staff College, Combined Arms and Services Staff School, Army Medical Department Officer Advance and Basic Courses, Army Community

14 Service Management Course, and Supervisor Development Program; and

15 WHEREAS, throughout his distinguished career, he as served as president of the Urban League of Greater Columbus, chief of social work service for Martin Army Community 16 17 Hospital, chief of social work service for Winn Army Community Hospital, chief of social work service and assistant chief of Womack Army Medical Center, staff social work officer 18 19 at Fort Riley, executive assistant at the Southwest Mental Health Center, juvenile court 20 detention officer, research assistant and interviewer at the University of Tennessee School 21 of Social Work, social worker at the University of Tennessee Mental Health Center, chief of 22 social work service and division social worker at Camp Casey, Korea, company commander and division social work officer at Fort Campbell, Kentucky, mental health officer in Sinai, 23

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- 24 Egypt, and brigade army community service officer and chief at Fort Richardson, Alaska;
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- WHEREAS, he has been honored as Outstanding Young Man of America, Omega Man of
 the Year, Outstanding Graduate of the United States Army Airborne Course, Outstanding
 Graduate of the United States Army Expert Field Medical Badge Training, National Institute
 of Mental Health Scholarship Recipient, Child Welfare Scholarship Recipient, and a member
 of the President's List at Freed Hardeman College; and
- WHEREAS, he has been awarded the Legion of Merit, Military Outstanding Volunteer
 Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Army
 Achievement Medal, Multinational Forces and Observers Medal, two National Defense
 Service Medals, Army Service Ribbon, two Overseas Service Ribbons, Airborne Badge, Air
 Assault Badge, and Expert Field Medical Badge; and
- WHEREAS, he is a faithful member of the National Association of Social Workers,
 American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, United
 Way Board of Trustees, Cumberland County Youth Advisory Board, Boy Scouts of America,
 Department of Defense Process Action Team, United Negro College Fund, United States
 Army Medical Command Process Action Team, and Columbus Community Center Board
 of Directors; and
- WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Pugh was united in love and marriage to his faithful and
 devoted wife, Mayor Pro-Tempore Evelyn Turner Pugh, and was blessed with seven
 remarkable children, Marcus, Tony, Tajuana, Maurice, Reginald, Jr., Talender, and April;
 14 wonderful grandchildren; and a host of beloved nieces and nephews; and
- WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern
 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his
- 48 family and friends were admired by others.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Lieutenant Colonel Reginald Leon Pugh, Sr., and express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

- 52 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 53 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
- 54 family of Lieutenant Colonel Reginald Leon Pugh, Sr.