

House Resolution 1938

By: Representatives Taylor of the 79th, Wilkinson of the 52nd, and Willard of the 51st

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Dennis Michael Crean; 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 Dennis Michael Crean on November 1, 2015; and
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- 5 WHEREAS, Mr. Crean was born on April 2, 1950, in Chicago, Illinois, a beloved son of
6 Chester and Norma Crean; and
- 7 WHEREAS, he graduated from Loyola Academy in 1958, and from Loyola University of
8 Chicago in 1962; and
- 9 WHEREAS, he was a founding member of the initiative to bring the former HBO &
10 Company to Atlanta in 1979, and was a pioneer in the hospital information systems field as
11 a sales and marketing executive; and
- 12 WHEREAS, after his early retirement, Mr. Crean expanded his church, charitable,
13 educational, environmental, and community service work; he volunteered on numerous
14 boards and generously supported dozens of causes with his time, talent, and treasure; he also
15 developed his beloved north Georgia property into what is now Buck Shoals State Park; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Mr. Crean was active in the Dunwoody community with the Rotary Club,
17 Knights of Columbus, All Saints Catholic Church, and City of Dunwoody; he was a
18 decades-long fan of and season ticket holder for both the Chicago Bears and the Atlanta
19 Falcons; he was an avid golfer at Dunwoody Country Club and a global traveler; and
- 20 WHEREAS, in all he did, his Catholic faith guided and gave meaning to his life; and

21 WHEREAS, Mr. Crean was united in love and marriage to his wife of 53 years, Marie, and
22 was blessed with four remarkable children, Dennis Jr., David, Brian, and Alison, and five
23 wonderful grandchildren, Owen, Erin, Aidan, Evan, and Michael; and

24 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
25 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example he made of his life, he
26 made this world a better place in which to live; and

27 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Mr. Crean will long be remembered for his
28 love of family and friendship and will be missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing
29 him.

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
31 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Dennis Michael Crean and
32 express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
34 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
35 family of Dennis Michael Crean.