

## House Resolution 44

By: Representative Silcox of the 52<sup>nd</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Mary Elaine Shaw; 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 Mary Elaine Shaw on December 16, 2016; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mary Elaine Shaw was born on September 11, 1930, in Etowah, Tennessee, a  
5 beloved daughter of Luther and Mary Smith; and
- 6 WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, Elaine was an active member of First  
7 Baptist Church of Chattahoochee, serving as a choir member, Sunday school teacher, and  
8 W.M.U. President; and
- 9 WHEREAS, she was united in love and marriage to her husband, Robert, and was blessed  
10 with four remarkable children, Elena, Melanie, Susan, and Bobbie; and 11 wonderful  
11 grandchildren and two great granddaughters; and
- 12 WHEREAS, she gave inspiration to many through her high ideals, morals, and deep concern  
13 for her fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding she demonstrated to  
14 her family and friends were admired by others; and
- 15 WHEREAS, she was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation  
16 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example she made of her life,  
17 she made this world a better place in which to live; and
- 18 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous woman, Elaine will long be remembered for her  
19 love of family and friendship and will be missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing  
20 her.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
22 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Mary Elaine Shaw and  
23 express their deepest and most sincere regret at her passing.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
25 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the  
26 family of Mary Elaine Shaw.