

House Resolution 655

By: Representatives Burnough of the 77th, Glanton of the 75th, Scott of the 76th, Hitchens of the 161st, and Williams of the 168th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing Gold Star Father Day on November 9 annually in Georgia; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, The Gold Star Mothers was founded by Grace Darling Seibold after her son,
4 George Vaughn Seibold, was killed in action in World War I to comfort mothers who had
5 also lost their children to war and to care for hospitalized veterans; and

6 WHEREAS, after years of planning, American Gold Star Mothers, Inc., was officially
7 established in Washington, D.C., on June 4, 1928, as a national organization; and

8 WHEREAS, in September, 2015, the United States House of Representatives passed a bill
9 allowing fathers the same benefit that has been given to mothers of fallen or permanently
10 disabled service members and ensuring that the sacrifice of Gold Star Fathers is appropriately
11 honored.

12 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
13 the members of this body recognize November 9 as Gold Star Father Day annually in
14 Georgia.

15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
16 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
17 public and the press.