

House Resolution 1214

By: Representative Ralston of the 7th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Reverend Alton Eugene Towe; 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 Reverend Alton Eugene Towe on June 29, 2017; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Reverend Towe was born in Cherokee County, Georgia, a beloved son of
5 Melvin Fred Towe and Pearl Missouri Key Towe; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
7 States Army, valiantly and courageously protecting his fellow Americans during World War
8 II; and
- 9 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Reverend Towe served as an ordained minister
10 for 65 years and pastored several churches, including Victory Baptist Church in Blairsville,
11 Southside Baptist Church in Hazelhurst, Friendship #3 Baptist Church in Epworth, and West
12 End Baptist Church in New Port, Tennessee; and
- 13 WHEREAS, he graced the airwaves and his loyal radio listeners with his gospel services for
14 more than 35 years on the radio broadcast "The Amazing Grace Hour"; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Reverend Towe was united in love and marriage to Louise Towe, and was
16 blessed with three remarkable children, Joan, Barbara, and Alton; eight grandchildren; eight
17 great-grandchildren; and three great-great grandchildren; and
- 18 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern
19 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his
20 family and friends were admired by others; and

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

24 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Reverend Towe will long be remembered
25 for his love of family and friendship, and this loyal husband, father, grandfather, and friend
26 will be missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing him.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
28 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Reverend Alton Eugene
29 Towe and express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
31 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
32 family of Reverend Alton Eugene Towe.