

## House Resolution 117

By: Representatives Hawkins of the 27<sup>th</sup>, Dubnik of the 29<sup>th</sup>, and Dunahoo of the 30<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Bob Fowler, Sr.; 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 Bob Fowler, Sr., on January 14, 2019; and
- 4 WHEREAS, a beloved son of the late Thomas and Geraldine Fowler, Bob was a longtime  
5 resident of Gainesville, Georgia, who was known for his quick wit, zeal for life, love of  
6 America, and dedication to his family; and
- 7 WHEREAS, he graduated from Gainesville High School in 1948 and went to West Georgia  
8 College to play football and baseball; Bob earned a bachelor's degree in accounting from the  
9 University of Georgia, where he was a member of the Delta Sigma Pi Fraternity and inducted  
10 into the Blue Key National Honor Society; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Bob served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United  
12 States Army, valiantly and courageously protecting his fellow Americans from 1953 to 1955;  
13 and
- 14 WHEREAS, he diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,  
15 talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced  
16 dramatically by his superlative work with J.D. Jewell and Company, the Gainesville Jaycees,  
17 and Orbit Manufacturing, Inc.; his efforts to renovate Helen into an Alpine Village for  
18 tourists; and his service on the city council and as Mayor of Helen; and
- 19 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Bob was an active member of Grace Episcopal  
20 Church and served the church in numerous capacities throughout the years; and

21 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to his wife, Linda, and was blessed with  
22 three remarkable children, Robin, Dawn, and Robert, Jr.; two wonderful grandchildren, Brett  
23 and Robert III; and two outstanding great-grandchildren, Robert IV and Wells; and

24 WHEREAS, Bob gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern  
25 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his  
26 family and friends were admired by others; and

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

30 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Bob will long be remembered for his love  
31 of family, friendship, and community and will be missed by all who had the great fortune of  
32 knowing him.

33 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
34 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Bob Fowler, Sr., and  
35 express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
37 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the  
38 family of Bob Fowler, Sr.