

Senate Resolution 522

By: Senators Harbin of the 16th, Jones II of the 22nd, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Rhett of the 33rd and Payne of the 54th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of John Franklin Stevens; 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 John Franklin Stevens on Tuesday, March 26, 2019; and
- 4 WHEREAS, John was an avid outdoorsman and lived a long life to the age of 96; and
- 5 WHEREAS, John was a veteran of the United States Coast Guard, serving during World
6 War II, and was also employed by the United States Postal Service, showing his dedication
7 to our country; and
- 8 WHEREAS, preceding him in death were his wife, Lena Mae Allen Stevens, his brother
9 David H. Stevens, and his sister Betty Jane Cole; and
- 10 WHEREAS, surviving John are his son, Allen Stevens of Fayetteville; his sister, Anne
11 Edwards of Moreno Valley, California; his grandchildren, Catie Valdez and Jared Stevens;
12 and his great-grandchildren, Graham and Baby L. Valdez; and
- 13 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, John was a long-time member of the First
14 Baptist Church of Smyrna, where he belonged to the Kings Men Sunday School Class; and
- 15 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, John will long be remembered for his love
16 of family and friendship and will be missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing him.
- 17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
18 join in honoring the life and memory of John Franklin Stevens and express their deepest and
19 most sincere regret at his passing.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
21 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the family of John
22 Franklin Stevens.