

House Resolution 1130

By: Representatives Carson of the 46<sup>th</sup> and Knight of the 130<sup>th</sup>

#### A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending James W. Freeman; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, James W. Freeman is the 2019–2020 chairperson of the Georgia Society of  
3 CPAs (GSCPA); and
- 4 WHEREAS, James earned his bachelor's degree from University of North Carolina (UNC)  
5 Chapel Hill, majoring in biology, and soon after received a master's degree in accounting  
6 from UNC's Kenan-Flagler Business School. He later received a Master of Business  
7 Administration from Duke University's Fuqua School of Business with a concentration in  
8 international economics; and
- 9 WHEREAS, he is currently managing partner of the Strategic Group of Companies, which  
10 makes a market in opportunity zones and tax credits that promote green, sustainable, and  
11 socially responsible initiatives fueled by economic growth; and
- 12 WHEREAS, his professional career includes working for Arthur Andersen in their Atlanta  
13 and Brussels offices, Deloitte & Touche's Brussels tax practice, and Ashland Inc. as the  
14 national manager of Valvoline's business in Germany; and
- 15 WHEREAS, James was honored in 2009 for his leadership and strong ethical character with  
16 the Outstanding Member in Industry Award from the Georgia Society of CPAs; and
- 17 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this  
18 extraordinary leader be appropriately recognized.
- 19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
20 the members of this body recognize and commend James W. Freeman, chairperson of the  
21 Georgia Society of CPAs (GSCPA), for his innumerable accomplishments and dedicated  
22 service to the State of Georgia.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
24 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to James  
25 W. Freeman.