

## House Resolution 1713

By: Representatives Williams of the 168<sup>th</sup> and Stephens of the 164<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of M. L. Coffey; 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 M. L. Coffey; and
- 4 WHEREAS, a highly educated man, M. L. Coffey graduated from Bradwell Institute before  
5 attending North Georgia Trade and Vocational School in Clarkesville, Georgia, where he met  
6 the love of his life, Beverly Black; and
- 7 WHEREAS, he worked with Savannah Electric and Power Company for 15 years before  
8 working at Coastal Utilities, where he retired after 33 years of service; and
- 9 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, M. L. Coffey was an active member of Mt.  
10 Olivet United Methodist Church, where he served in many leadership positions; and
- 11 WHEREAS, an active member of the community, he served on many boards and  
12 committees, including the Liberty Coastal Lions Club, where he served as a charter member  
13 and as the first president; the Liberty County Commission, where he served as chairman for  
14 16 years; and the Liberty County Development Authority, where he served as chairman; and
- 15 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to his wife, Beverly, and was blessed with  
16 two remarkable daughters, Angie and Amy; four wonderful grandchildren, Jason, Pam,  
17 Beverly, and Briana; and three outstanding great-grandchildren, Elizabeth, Trey, and Payton;  
18 and
- 19 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern  
20 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his  
21 family and friends were admired by others; and

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

25 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, M. L. Coffey will long be remembered for  
26 his love of family, friendship, and community and will be missed by all who had the great  
27 fortune of knowing him.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
29 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of M. L. Coffey and express  
30 their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
32 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the  
33 family of M. L. Coffey.