

House Resolution 495

By: Representatives Roberts of the 52nd, Wilson of the 80th, Kausche of the 50th, Mitchell of the 106th, and Mallow of the 163rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life and memory of Robert T. "Bob" Smallwood Jr. of Sandy Springs, Georgia;
2 and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens
4 with the passing of Robert T. "Bob" Smallwood Jr. on February 6, 2021, at the age of 89; and

5 WHEREAS, Robert T. "Bob" Smallwood Jr. was born in New Albany, Mississippi, on
6 November 6, 1931, to Robert Talmadge Smallwood and Maude Ophelia Calhoun; and

7 WHEREAS, after graduating from Mississippi State University with a Bachelor of Science
8 in 1955 and earning a master's degree in food science from North Carolina State University
9 in 1957, he moved to Atlanta, Georgia, and was employed by the Sealright Company Inc. for
10 40 years; and

11 WHEREAS, for over 70 years, Bob served as an active adult leader in the Boy Scouts of
12 America, during which time he served as the scoutmaster of Troop 463 in Sandy Springs,
13 Georgia, for over 14 years and as scoutmaster of Troop 764 in Dunwoody for over ten years;
14 and

15 WHEREAS, during his tenure as a scout leader, he guided and inspired hundreds of young
16 men to grow into responsible citizens and leaders in their communities, serving as doctors,
17 lawyers, judges, members of the clergy, and leaders in the armed forces of the United States
18 who always live in accordance with the Scout Oath and the Scout Law; and

19 WHEREAS, over 100 of those young men earned the rank of Eagle Scout; and

20 WHEREAS, Bob is survived by his twin sister, Bettye Neal of Decatur, Georgia; two sons,
21 First Sergeant (Ret.) Robert T. Smallwood III of North Carolina and David Smallwood of
22 Vermont; and two grandchildren, Karen and Nicholas.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
24 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Robert T. "Bob"
25 Smallwood Jr. and express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
27 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
28 family of Robert T. "Bob" Smallwood Jr.