

House Resolution 1120

By: Representatives Herring of the 145th, Washburn of the 144th, Flournoy of the 74th, Jones of the 143rd, Paris of the 142nd, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the efforts of YKK AP America Inc. for their significant contributions to
2 economic development, manufacturing innovation, and community partnerships in Middle
3 Georgia; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, YKK AP America Inc. has made significant strides in driving economic
5 development in Middle Georgia, boasting over 50 years of successful business development
6 within the State of Georgia; and

7 WHEREAS, exemplifying a steadfast dedication to employee welfare, YKK in Macon
8 achieved the monumental milestone of one million man-hours without a lost-time incident
9 in 2024, marking a significant triumph in operational safety and risk management for Bibb
10 County; and

11 WHEREAS, demonstrating a profound commitment to the region, the company successfully
12 opened its new 400,000-square-foot residential manufacturing facility in Macon, representing
13 a massive investment of \$125 million in Bibb County and creating more than 100 new jobs
14 for local citizens; and

15 WHEREAS, YKK AP America Inc. continues to lead the charge on manufacturing
16 innovation in Middle Georgia through its high-efficiency production lines and the
17 implementation of cutting-edge automotive technologies designed to increase productivity
18 and efficiency; and

19 WHEREAS, the company's commitment to sustainability and environmental stewardship was
20 recognized on the national stage when YKK AP America was selected for the United States
21 Patent and Trademark Office's Trademarks for Humanity Award in November 2024; and

22 WHEREAS, YKK AP America Inc. remains a vital bridge between Macon-Bibb County and
23 the global community, most recently demonstrated in October 2025 when Mayor Lester
24 Miller and a Macon-Bibb delegation visited Kurobe, Japan, home of YKK, to reaffirm the
25 nearly 50-year Sister City relationship and strengthen cultural and economic ties; and

26 WHEREAS, the company continues to demonstrate its strength and vision from its Georgia
27 headquarters, further expanding its global footprint with the strategic acquisition of German
28 manufacturer Seufert-Niklaus GmbH in September 2025; and

29 WHEREAS, YKK AP America Inc. has fostered strong ties to the Macon-Bibb community
30 by participating in the Mercer University Corporate Partners Program and consistently
31 engaging with local leadership to build a prosperous future for the region.

32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
33 the members of this body commend YKK AP America Inc. for its exemplary efforts in
34 driving economic growth, attracting substantial investments, and fostering collaborative
35 relationships that benefit the entire community as well as recognize President and CEO
36 Oliver Stepe, Residential Business Group President Josh Jensen, and the leadership and staff

37 of YKK AP America Inc. for their dedication, vision, and effective execution of strategies
38 that have positioned Macon-Bibb County as a premier destination for business and industry.

39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
40 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to YKK
41 AP America Inc.