

House Resolution 431

By: Representative Dickey of the 140th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing March 19, 2021, as Georgia Post Day in Roberta, Crawford County; and for
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, *The Georgia Post* has served Roberta, Crawford County, for 100 years as of
4 February 2021; and

5 WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper to officially recognize *The Georgia Post*, its employees,
6 and the 100th anniversary of its creation; and

7 WHEREAS, after its founding in February 1921 by Crawford Moncrief, who at first
8 produced the newspaper out of his home, a building was eventually constructed in 1928 on
9 Highway 42 in Knoxville; and

10 WHEREAS, Publisher Victoria Simmons, Reporter/Marketing Director Kristi Watkins,
11 Public Notices and Distribution Officer Katelyn Jennings, and President Floyd Buford Jr. are
12 media specialists providing local news, advertisement, human interest stories, and operations
13 of the newspaper in the community; and

14 WHEREAS, *The Georgia Post* serves as the legal organ for Roberta, Crawford County; and

15 WHEREAS, *The Georgia Post* carries on the tradition of a free press and believes in the First
16 Amendment to the United States Constitution; and

17 WHEREAS, *The Georgia Post's* unique relevance is reflected by its distinction as a
18 watchdog of local government and its proceedings, its timely publication of public notices,
19 and its reporting of the history of the community; and

20 WHEREAS, although the digital age has changed the reporting of the news and made
21 operating a community newspaper a challenge, *The Georgia Post* continues to survive and
22 provide a weekly community newspaper in spite of reports that newspapers are dying; and

23 WHEREAS, *The Georgia Post's* code of ethics is to seek truth and report it, minimize harm,
24 act independently, and be accountable.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
26 the members of this body hereby recognize March 19, 2021, as Georgia Post Day in Roberta,
27 Crawford County, and call upon all citizens and organized governments to render support to
28 the members of *The Georgia Post* and make themselves aware that the members of *The*
29 *Georgia Post* to this day are providing meaningful services to our homes, schools, and
30 communities.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
32 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
33 staff of *The Georgia Post*.