

House Resolution 1069

By: Representative Parrish of the 158th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Richard Marion Dennard; 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 Richard Marion Dennard on January 31, 2024; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Richard Marion Dennard was born in Atlanta, Georgia on September 17, 1942,
5 a beloved son of Marion "Beck" Dennard and Ruby Lee Robinson Dennard; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
7 States Army, valiantly and courageously protecting his fellow Americans during the Vietnam
8 War, and was awarded several honors including the Army Commendation medal, the Purple
9 Heart, and two Bronze Stars; and
- 10 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, he was an active member of the First Baptist
11 Church; and
- 12 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to his wife, Joyce, and was blessed with two
13 remarkable children, Blakely and Krista, and four wonderful grandchildren, Richard, Hunter,
14 Julia, and Jeffrey; and

15 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern
16 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his
17 family and friends were admired by others; and

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

21 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, he will long be remembered for his love
22 of family, friendship, and community and will be missed by all who had the great fortune of
23 knowing him.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
25 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Richard Marion Dennard
26 and express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
28 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
29 family of Richard Marion Dennard.