

House Resolution 217

By: Representatives Parrish of the 158th, Burns of the 159th, Dickey of the 134th, Corbett of the 174th, Burchett of the 176th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Congratulating the H. G. Yeomans III Family Trust, the 2024 Georgia Tree Farmer of the
2 Year; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, at the Georgia Forestry Association's Annual Conference & Forestry Expo in
4 Savannah, the Georgia Tree Farm Program named the H. G. Yeomans III Family Trust as the
5 2024 Georgia Tree Farmer of the Year in recognition of their outstanding forest management
6 and dedication to sustainable land stewardship; and

7 WHEREAS, presented through the American Tree Farm System, this prestigious award
8 honors private landowners who demonstrate forestry practices that support local wildlife,
9 wood production, water conservation, and recreational opportunities; and

10 WHEREAS, established in the 1700s, the Yeomans family farm has grown from its original
11 275 acres to encompass 2,300 acres of beautifully kept land; and

12 WHEREAS, their logging business, Yeomans Wood and Timber, is widely recognized for
13 its commitment to forest stewardship, employing sustainable forestry management practices
14 such as prescribed fire, native longleaf pine restoration, and wildlife habitat preservation; and

15 WHEREAS, they have additionally integrated soil and water-friendly road construction,
16 designed custom deer stands to accommodate physically disabled outdoor enthusiasts, and
17 repurposed reclaimed wood and bricks from old farm structures for educational events and
18 family gatherings; and

19 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this exemplary family be appropriately
20 honored during this special time.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
22 the members of this body congratulate the H. G. Yeomans III Family Trust upon their
23 recognition as the 2024 Georgia Tree Farmer of the Year as well as extend best wishes for
24 continued success.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
26 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
27 H. G. Yeomans III Family Trust.