

## House Resolution 516

By: Representatives Kelley of the 16<sup>th</sup> and Smith of the 18<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending William L. "Bill" Lundy, Jr. for 40 Years of Distinguished Legal Service; and  
2 for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, William L. "Bill" Lundy is a proud 1977 graduate of Cedartown High School,  
4 where his stellar football career lead him to sign a four year scholarship to play for the  
5 Jacksonville State University Gamecocks, then to the Cumberland School of Law of Samford  
6 University; and

7 WHEREAS, he returned to his hometown of Cedartown to practice with State Senator James  
8 I. Parker, and has dedicated 40 years of compassionate legal representation in the states of  
9 both Georgia and Alabama, as a senior partner with the law firm of Parker and Lundy, along  
10 with Richard J. Lundy, Charles E. Morris, Jr., State Representative Trey Kelley, and Laura  
11 Lundy Wheale; and

12 WHEREAS, he has been a stalwart member of the Georgia Trial Lawyers Association, and  
13 in 2015, he was recognized with the Tradition of Excellence Award as Plaintiffs Lawyer of  
14 the Year by the General Practice and Trial Section of the State Bar of Georgia; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Lundy served as Chairman of the Disciplinary Board for the State Bar of  
16 Georgia, ensuring the ethical integrity of the legal profession, as well as Chairman of the  
17 General Practice and Trial Section of the State Bar of Georgia, further demonstrating his  
18 leadership within the legal community; and

19 WHEREAS, his dedication to the legal profession is further exemplified by his successful  
20 representation in the landmark United States Supreme Court case of *Easterwood v. CSX*  
21 *Transportation*, 507 U.S. 123, in 1993, addressing critical issues of federal pre-emption at  
22 railroad grade crossings; and

23 WHEREAS, beyond his distinguished legal career, he has given back to his community by  
24 founding the Cedartown Theatrical Performers Company, LLC, providing local children with  
25 theatrical opportunities, and serving as a broadcast analyst for Cedartown Bulldogs football  
26 on WGAA Radio; and

27 WHEREAS, Mr. Lundy's career also includes writing and co-starring along with Fred  
28 Thompson in the independent film *A Larger Life*, which portrays the challenges of a  
29 small-town lawyer undertaking a high-stakes case against formidable corporate defendants;  
30 and

31 WHEREAS, his professional success is matched by his dedication to his family, as a devoted  
32 husband to his wife of over 40 years, Catharine Lundy, and a proud father to Laura, Will,  
33 Lee, and Spencer Lundy, and grandfather to Lundy and John; and

34 WHEREAS, Mr. Lundy also serves as an elder at the Cedartown Church of Christ, where he  
35 teaches the high school class, fostering spiritual growth and guidance among local youth; and

36 WHEREAS, his reputation as a passionate advocate is further bolstered by his willingness  
37 to take on even the most unconventional cases, including once representing the family dog  
38 in court for entrapment-a story that, while perhaps anecdotal, speaks to his dedication to the  
39 pursuit of justice in all its forms.

40 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
41 the members of this body commend William L. "Bill" Lundy, Jr. for his 40 years of  
42 exemplary service in the legal field, recognize his numerous contributions to his community,  
43 and our state, and extend their best wishes for his continued success and well-being

44 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
45 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to  
46 William L. "Bill" Lundy, Jr.