

House Resolution 555

By: Representative Burns of the 159th

A RESOLUTION

1 Congratulating and commending Craig and Diana Barrow, the inaugural recipients of the
2 Vince and Barbara Dooley Friends of the UGA Libraries Award; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Vince and Barbara Dooley Friends of the UGA Libraries Award was
4 established to honor individuals who make a profound difference in the lives of students,
5 faculty, and the university community through their support of the University of Georgia
6 (UGA) Libraries, thereby carrying on the Dooley's legacy of service; and

7 WHEREAS, Craig and Diana Barrow, distinguished alumni of the UGA Class of 1965, were
8 selected as the inaugural recipients of this prestigious award in recognition of their
9 unwavering commitment to supporting the instruction, research, and service goals of the
10 UGA Libraries; and

11 WHEREAS, the Barrows are the owners of Wormsloe, a coastal Georgia site of immense
12 historical, ecological, and archaeological significance originally settled in the 1730s by Craig
13 Barrow's ancestor, Noble Jones, and they have worked to preserve and enhance its role as an
14 educational and research resource; and

15 WHEREAS, in 2012, the Barrows, through the Wormsloe Foundation, donated 15 acres of
16 land to the UGA Libraries to establish the Center for Research and Education at Wormsloe
17 (CREW), creating a dynamic environment for student and faculty discovery, research, and
18 experiential learning; and

19 WHEREAS, the Barrows further played a crucial role in the development and success of the
20 UGA Libraries' Board of Visitors, which was instrumental in securing private funding to
21 construct the Russell Special Collections Building; and

22 WHEREAS, their contributions have built upon a legacy deeply intertwined with the UGA
23 Libraries, as Craig Barrow's ancestor, Wymberly Jones De Renne, assembled the most
24 significant private collection of books and manuscripts on Georgia at Wormsloe, which was
25 donated to UGA in 1938; and

26 WHEREAS, the Barrows' enduring generosity, leadership, and passion for education and
27 preservation have transformed their family's historical connection to UGA into a lasting
28 legacy that will benefit generations of scholars, researchers, and students.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
30 the members of this body congratulate and commend Craig and Diana Barrow, the inaugural
31 recipients of the Vince and Barbara Dooley Friends of the UGA Libraries Award, and extend
32 best wishes for continued success.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
34 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Craig
35 and Diana Barrow.