

House Resolution 623

By: Representatives Frye of the 122nd, Gaines of the 120th, and Wiedower of the 121st

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Tony Lay; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Tony Lay has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his
3 time, talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state, as evidenced
4 dramatically by his 43 years of superlative service with the Athens Community Council on
5 Aging (ACCA); and
- 6 WHEREAS, beginning his career at the ACCA in 1982 as a driver, Tony Lay is the
7 longest-serving director and employee in the agency's 58-year history; and
- 8 WHEREAS, as transportation director, he has provided safe, reliable, and compassionate
9 transportation for more than 7,500 seniors, ensuring they can access essential services,
10 remain engaged in the community, and live with dignity and independence; and
- 11 WHEREAS, he has personally assisted seniors with chores after hours, taken clients on
12 special outings such as trips to Braves games, and provided meals for seniors during the
13 holiday season by transporting and carrying thousands of frozen turkeys and Christmas hams
14 over the past decade; and

15 WHEREAS, more than a driver and director, he has been a pillar of kindness, concern, and
16 dependability, always going above and beyond to care for those he has served; and

17 WHEREAS, this distinguished gentleman has given inspiration to many through his high
18 ideals, morals, and deep concern for his fellow citizens, and he possesses the vast wisdom
19 which only comes through experience and the strength of character which is achieved
20 through overcoming the many challenges of life; and

21 WHEREAS, he has served with honor and distinction with the ACCA, and his vision and
22 unyielding commitment to the senior citizens of Athens will be sorely missed upon the
23 occasion of his retirement; and

24 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
25 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately honored.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
27 the members of this body recognize and commend Tony Lay for his decades of efficient,
28 effective, unselfish, and dedicated service to the Athens Community Council on Aging;
29 congratulate him upon the grand occasion of his retirement; and extend the most sincere best
30 wishes for continued health and happiness.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
32 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Tony
33 Lay.