

House Resolution 1396

By: Representative Martinez of the 111th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Jim Coker; 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 Jim Coker on January 22, 2026; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Jim Coker was born on August 28, 1940, a beloved son, husband, father, and
5 uncle; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Jim Coker was a proud graduate of Loganville High School, the University of
7 Georgia, and Woodrow Wilson College of Law; and
- 8 WHEREAS, he was an Eagle Scout and served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and
9 liberty with the United States Army; and
- 10 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to his wife of 55 years, Kaye, and was
11 blessed with two remarkable children, Jennifer and Jessica, and two wonderful
12 grandchildren, Jaxon and James; and

13 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his generosity, sense of humor, and valued
14 service to the community, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to
15 his family and friends were admired by others; and

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

19 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Jim Coker will long be remembered for his
20 love of family, friendship, and community and will be missed by all who had the great
21 fortune of knowing him; and

22 WHEREAS, Jim Coker was a die hard UGA Dawg fan.

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

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