

House Resolution 15EX

By: Representatives Reese of the 140th, Hugley of the 141st, and Buckner of the 137th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Raleigh James Rucker Jr.; 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 Raleigh James Rucker Jr. on June 13, 2026; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Raleigh James Rucker Jr. was born on October 11, 1973, in Leesville,
5 Louisiana, a beloved son of Norma Jean Davis and Raleigh J. Rucker Sr.; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
7 States Army, valiantly and courageously protecting his fellow Americans and retiring at the
8 rank of first sergeant; and
- 9 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to his wife, La'Nitra, and the strength,
10 dedication, and kindness he demonstrated impacted the lives of his children in countless
11 ways; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Raleigh James Rucker Jr. gave inspiration to many through his high ideals,
13 morals, and deep concern for his fellow citizens; and

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

17 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Raleigh James Rucker Jr. will long be
18 remembered for his love of family, friendship, and community and will be missed by all who
19 had the great fortune of knowing him.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
21 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Raleigh James Rucker Jr.
22 and express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
24 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
25 family of Raleigh James Rucker Jr.