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House Resolution 1116

By: Representatives Henson of the 86th, Beasley-Teague of the 65th, Oliver of the 82nd, and Dempsey of the 13th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Normer Adams; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Normer Adams has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the
- 3 vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare
- 4 of the citizens of Georgia; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Normer's attributes of hard work, passion for public service, and background
- 6 in child welfare serve him well as he now sits on the boards of three different agencies
- 7 dedicated to improving the lives of children, one of which is Bloom Our Youth in Fayette
- 8 County, Georgia, on which he serves as president; and
- 9 WHEREAS, in retirement, Normer took up recreational tree climbing, becoming a member
- 10 of the Atlanta Tree Climbing Club and serving on its board as vice president; and
- 11 WHEREAS, recreational tree climbing requires skills, such as ascending and descending
- 12 ropes, knot tying, and knowledge of tree structures, drawn from multiple fields, including
- 13 rock climbing, arboriculture, and dendrology, the study of trees; and
- 14 WHEREAS, not satisfied to merely climb trees for fun, Normer directed his attention toward
- 15 serving his community by using his remarkable climbing skill to rescue animals and objects
- 16 stuck in trees. As his local fire department no longer performed cat, drone, and model
- 17 airplane rescues, their successful retrieval became Normer's new calling; and
- 18 WHEREAS, since his retirement, Normer has rescued more than 17 cats and drones from
- 19 trees. His climbing skills allow him to physically catch or trap cats, often at heights of more
- 20 than 100 feet. Some rescues span more than two days. He has a 100 percent success rate of
- 21 safe rescues; and

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WHEREAS, he serves the community by not charging for these services, doing them as a

- 23 public service to his fellow citizens; and
- 24 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
- 25 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.
- 26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 27 the members of this body recognize Normer Adams and commend his remarkable career, his
- 28 superb tree climbing abilities, and his unwavering service to the children, citizens, and cats
- 29 of his community.
- 30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 31 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
- 32 Normer Adams.