

House Resolution 1224

By: Representatives Rogers of the 29th, Hawkins of the 27th, Dunahoo of the 30th, and Barr of the 103rd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Mr. Daniel Aaron Summer; 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 Mr. Daniel Aaron Summer on January 14, 2016; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Summer was born on October 29, 1960, in Chicago, Illinois, a beloved son
5 of Mory and Ghita Summer; and
- 6 WHEREAS, academically motivated, he graduated in three years with honors from the
7 University of Wisconsin at Madison with a Bachelors of the Arts in Economics and obtained
8 his law degree from Emory University Law School in 1985; and
- 9 WHEREAS, highly regarded in the legal community, Mr. Summer spent his first five years
10 in practice with the Hall County District Attorney's office as a distinguished trial lawyer, and
11 later entered private practice with his wife, where they practiced law for more than 25 years;
12 and
- 13 WHEREAS, in his private practice, he made many significant contributions to the practice
14 of criminal defense, including a ground-breaking genetic defense in a capital murder case,
15 the repeal of mandatory life sentences for certain felonies, and the establishment of new
16 protections for criminal defendants at trial; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Mr. Summer's leadership in the legal community was recognized in 2011 when
18 he was selected by Governor Nathan Deal; and
- 19 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to Chandelle, and was blessed with five
20 remarkable children, Joey, Jack, Jake, Jeffrey, and Georgia; and

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

24 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Mr. Summer will long be remembered for
25 his love of family and friendship, and this loyal husband, father, and friend will be missed
26 by all who had the great fortune of knowing him.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
28 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Mr. Daniel Aaron Summer
29 and express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

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 the
32 family of Mr. Daniel Aaron Summer.