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House Resolution 1384

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

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Mr. Jimmie Douglas "J.D." Gibbs; 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. Jimmie Douglas "J.D." Gibbs on August 13, 2013; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Gibbs was born on April 9, 1930, a beloved son of the late Robert and
- 5 Estelle Gibbs; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
- 7 States Marine Corps, valiantly and courageously protecting his fellow Americans during the
- 8 Korean War; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Mr. Gibbs' heroism during the Korean War's worst battle at the Chosin
- 10 Reservoir was recognized with a Purple Heart for injuries he received during combat; and
- 11 WHEREAS, he was the owner of Gibbs Grading company and never met a stranger with his
- 12 infectious smile and memorable laugh; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Mr. Gibbs was united in love and marriage for 63 wonderful years to Helen
- 14 Gibbs, and was blessed with the support of their children, Vickie and Rich White, Doug and
- 15 Riva Gibbs, Scott and Jennifer Gibbs; grandchildren, Davis and Amy White, Russell and
- 16 Rebecca White, Zachary and Whitney Gibbs, Jason Gibbs, Jefferson Gibbs, and David
- 17 Gibbs; and great-grandchildren Lauren, Lindsey, Maxwell, and Harrison; and
- 18 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
- 19 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness and, by the example he made of his life, he
- 20 made this world a better place in which to live; and

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21 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Mr. Gibbs will long be remembered for his

- 22 love of family and friendship, and this loyal husband, father, grandfather, and friend will be
- 23 missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing him.
- 24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 25 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Mr. Jimmie Douglas "J.D."
- 26 Gibbs and express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.
- 27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. Jimmie
- 29 Douglas "J.D." Gibbs.