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House Resolution 413

By: Representatives Lott of the 122nd, Newton of the 123rd, Fleming of the 121st, and McCall of the 33rd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Mr. John Apostol; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, John had been a dedicated Republican since he was 13 years old and, as a
- 3 member of the Junior Ike Club, was recognized for selling sheet music to raise money for the
- 4 Eisenhower campaign; and
- 5 WHEREAS, he served in the United States Army from 1962-1964 in Korea; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he was elected the first full-time mayor of Annapolis and served two terms,
- 7 from 1973 to 1981; and
- 8 WHEREAS, he served as the treasurer and Republican executive committeeman of District
- 9 77 of the Palm Beach Republican Party and received the 2003 Outstanding Republican
- 10 Award from the Republican Party of Palm Beach; and
- 11 WHEREAS, he was selected to help recount the ballots in Palm Beach County during the
- 12 Bush 2000 presidential election; and
- 13 WHEREAS, in 2004, John and Wilda, his wife of 50 years, moved to Evans during the Bush
- 14 reelection campaign of 2004 to be near their two children and four grandchildren,
- 15 volunteering to manage and operate the Columbia County Republican Party (CCRP)
- 16 campaign headquarters and continuing to do so during all major election cycles, where he
- was the most consistent and prominent Republican point of contact for Republican voters in
- 18 Columbia County; and
- 19 WHEREAS, John was the main person who worked tirelessly to raise funds for the CCRP
- and focused solely on the proper use of those funds, deserving credit for the current standing
- 21 of CCRP's financial well-being; and

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WHEREAS, John Apostol continued to serve on the Executive Board of the CCRP until he

- passed away on May 9, 2018, at the age of 79, two months after he was diagnosed with a
- 24 brain tumor and underwent surgery.
- 25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 26 the members of this body recognize and commend Mr. John Apostol and extend their most
- 27 sincere gratitude for his service to the Republican Party and condolences to his family and
- 28 friends.
- 29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
- 31 family of Mr. John Apostol.