

## House Resolution 47

By: Representatives New of the 40<sup>th</sup>, Alexander of the 66<sup>th</sup>, and Baker of the 64<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Travis Strickland, the 2024 West Georgia Soil and Water Conservationist of  
2 the Year; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Travis Strickland is a fourth-generation farmer whose land is situated between  
4 Winston and Whitesburg, where his family has resided since before the Civil War; and

5 WHEREAS, originally a cotton farm through World War I under Moes Strickland, the farm  
6 transitioned to cattle upon Moes' return from the war, and it has since been operated by  
7 successive generations of the family, including Ervin Strickland, a World War II veteran, and  
8 Donald Strickland, a Vietnam War veteran; and

9 WHEREAS, Travis Strickland began his farming journey as a child by assisting with the  
10 family food plot and feeding cattle, and after the passing of his father in 2015, he assumed  
11 full responsibility of the farm, where he now breeds Angus cattle; and

12 WHEREAS, he has since continued its operations with the support of his wife, Mary, and  
13 their two young children, Kyler and Tate; and

14 WHEREAS, in addition to his work as a farmer, Travis Strickland serves his community as  
15 a full-time firefighter and operates a pine straw business; and

16 WHEREAS, this distinguished gentleman has given inspiration to many through his high  
17 ideals, morals, and deep concern for his fellow citizens, and he possesses the vast wisdom  
18 which only comes through experience and the strength of character which is achieved  
19 through overcoming the many challenges of life; and

20 WHEREAS, he is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for  
21 integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and

22 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this  
23 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
25 the members of this body commend Travis Strickland, the 2024 West Georgia Soil and  
26 Water Conservationist of the Year, and extend sincere best wishes to the Strickland family  
27 for future health, happiness, and success.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
29 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to  
30 Travis Strickland.