

## House Resolution 52

By: Representatives Kelley of the 16<sup>th</sup>, Scoggins of the 14<sup>th</sup>, Lumsden of the 12<sup>th</sup>, Dempsey of the 13<sup>th</sup>, and Gambill of the 15<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Marvin Gary Simmons; 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 Marvin Gary Simmons on December 22, 2024; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Marvin Gary Simmons was born on December 19, 1950, in LaFayette, Georgia,  
5 a beloved son of Marshall C. and Evie Denson Simmons; and
- 6 WHEREAS, during his distinguished career in law enforcement, he served as part of the  
7 Floyd County Police Department, Rockmart Police Department, and Polk County Police  
8 Department, retiring from the Polk County Sheriff's Department as a captain after 44 years  
9 of exemplary service; and
- 10 WHEREAS, he further served as a veteran of the United States National Guard, honorably  
11 and courageously protecting this nation's freedom and liberty as well as ensuring the  
12 well-being of his fellow citizens; and

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

16 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Marvin Gary Simmons was an active member  
17 of Pleasant Valley South Baptist Church; and

18 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Marvin Gary Simmons will long be  
19 remembered for his love of family, friendship, and community and will be missed by all who  
20 had the great fortune of knowing him.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
22 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Marvin Gary Simmons and  
23 express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
25 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the  
26 family of Marvin Gary Simmons.