

House Resolution 885

By: Representatives Dempsey of the 13th, Coomer of the 14th, and Lumsden of the 12th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Mr. Robert Skelton as a recipient of a 2013 Heart of the
2 Community Award of Honor; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, a native of Oakwood, Georgia, Mr. Robert Skelton attended Truett McConnell
4 College and Belmont University; completed his graduate study in education at the University
5 of Georgia and attained his Master of Divinity from New Orleans Baptist Theological
6 Seminary; and earned a certificate in continuing education from the Harvard University
7 Graduate School of Business Administration; and

8 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Skelton has dedicated innumerable hours
9 of his time, talents, and energy to leading pastoral positions at Garden Lakes Baptist Church
10 in Rome, First Baptist Church in Mableton, and Roswell Street Baptist Church in Marietta,
11 where he served as Minister of Evangelism; and

12 WHEREAS, he currently serves as the Senior Division Director of the WinShape Foundation
13 at Berry College; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Skelton has also served as a teacher and head coach in Commerce and
15 Gainesville, a member of the executive committee of the Georgia Baptist Convention, a
16 member of the board of directors of the Christian Index, a trustee of Truett McConnell
17 College, a trustee of the Georgia Baptist Children's Homes and Family Ministries, a member
18 of the advisory board of the Rome Leadership Prayer Breakfast, and an interim pastor at 14
19 local churches; and

20 WHEREAS, Mr. Skelton is united in love and marriage to the former Vicky Wood and the
21 two have been blessed with four remarkable children, Wendy, Rob, Brett, and Matt, and 20
22 cherished grandchildren; and

23 WHEREAS, in honor of Mr. Skelton's contributions to his community and state, the
24 Redmond Regional Medical Center will make a donation in his name to the Pregnancy
25 Center of Rome; and

26 WHEREAS, Mr. Robert Skelton has set the standard for public service in his community,
27 and it is abundantly fitting and proper that this exemplary Georgian be recognized.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
29 the members of this body recognize Mr. Robert Skelton for his outstanding dedication to
30 public service, commend him as a recipient of a 2013 Heart of the Community Award of
31 Honor, and extend their sincere best wishes for his future health and happiness.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
33 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Robert Skelton.