

House Resolution 1002

By: Representative Ralston of the 7<sup>th</sup>

### A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Annetta Burgher Bunch; 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 Annetta Burgher Bunch on July 2, 2019; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Annetta Burgher Bunch was born on September 12, 1921, in Tennessee, a  
5 beloved daughter of the late James and Sadie Burgher; and
- 6 WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, Annetta Burgher Bunch was an active  
7 member of the First United Methodist Church of Ellijay; and
- 8 WHEREAS, she was united in love and marriage to her husband, the late George Nixon  
9 Bunch Jr., and was blessed with four remarkable children and in-laws, George III, Sheri, Lou  
10 Anne, and Jack; four wonderful grandchildren, Jessica, Douglas, George IV, and Brittany;  
11 and two superb great-grandchildren; and
- 12 WHEREAS, since 1967, Annetta Burgher Bunch was the co-owner and editor of the  
13 *Times-Courier* in Ellijay, where she was known as a powerful presence that brought joy to  
14 the community; and
- 15 WHEREAS, in 2003, she was nominated as the Gilmer County Co-Citizen of the Year and  
16 was once a charter member of the Garden Club of Ellijay; and
- 17 WHEREAS, she gave inspiration to many through her high ideals, morals, and deep concern  
18 for her fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding she demonstrated to  
19 her family and friends were admired by others; and

20 WHEREAS, she was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation  
21 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example she made of her life,  
22 she made this world a better place in which to live; and

23 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous woman, Annetta Burgher Bunch will long be  
24 remembered for her love of family, friendship, and community and will be missed by all who  
25 had the great fortune of knowing her.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
27 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Annetta Burgher Bunch  
28 and express their deepest and most sincere regret at her passing.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
30 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the  
31 family of Annetta Burgher Bunch.