

House Resolution 1005

By: Representatives Smith of the 133rd, Ralston of the 7th, Burns of the 159th, Smith of the 134th, and Rhodes of the 120th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Edward Harold Stone; 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 Edward Harold Stone on February 11, 2022; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Edward Harold Stone was born in Greensboro, Georgia, a beloved son of
5 Joseph Ellison and Nellie Evelyn Little Stone; and
- 6 WHEREAS, a friend and mentor to many, Ed's life was built on relationships; and
- 7 WHEREAS, he played an instrumental role in the lives of teenage boys in Harris County
8 through yearly camping trips to the Okefenokee Swamp and weekly visits to the newspaper
9 stand and radio store, where he would mentor 12 to 14 boys; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Ed was a tremendous asset to tourism in Georgia through his work in the
11 marketing business for Callaway Gardens before he became the VP of Marketing and Public
12 Relations for Opryland USA in Tennessee; and

13 WHEREAS, he will also be remembered for his love of golf, and Ed played over 500 courses
14 around the world; and

15 WHEREAS, Ed was united in love and marriage to his wife, Fran, and was blessed with two
16 remarkable daughters, Robyn and Lori, and four wonderful grandchildren, Dylan, Stone,
17 Ellie, and Anna; and

18 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern
19 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his
20 family and friends were admired by others; and

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

24 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Ed will long be remembered for his love
25 of family, friendship, and community, and he will be missed by all who had the great fortune
26 of knowing him.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
28 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Edward Harold Stone and
29 express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
31 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
32 family of Edward Harold Stone.