

House Resolution 1153

By: Representatives Ralston of the 7th, Smyre of the 135th, Jones of the 47th, Burns of the 159th, Trammell of the 132nd, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Robert "Robby" E. Rivers Jr.; 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 Robert "Robby" E. Rivers Jr. on August 27, 2019; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Robert E. Rivers Jr. was born on May 28, 1951, in Atlanta, Georgia, a beloved
5 son of the late Robert and Barbara Rivers; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Robby was married to the late Kathy Williams Rivers and then to Joy Courson
7 Rivers and was blessed with a remarkable son, Robert Rivers III, and three wonderful
8 grandchildren, Elizabeth, Kathleen, and Bobby; and
- 9 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern
10 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his
11 family and friends were admired by others; and
- 12 WHEREAS, he earned a bachelor's degree in political science with honors from the
13 University of Georgia and a juris doctor degree from Emory University School of Law; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Robby entered public service as an assistant district attorney for the Coweta
15 Judicial Circuit and went on to be a legal assistant for the Speaker's Office of the Georgia
16 House of Representatives, acting clerk for the Georgia House of Representatives, and clerk
17 for the Georgia House of Representatives from 1992 to 2013; and
- 18 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
19 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example he made of his life, he
20 made this world a better place in which to live; and

21 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Robby will long be remembered for his
22 love of family, friendship, and community and will be missed by all who had the great
23 fortune of knowing him.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
25 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Robert "Robby" E. Rivers
26 Jr. and express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
28 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
29 family of Robert "Robby" E. Rivers Jr.