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House Resolution 1220

By: Representatives Williams of the 119th, Quick of the 117th, Benton of the 31st, and Coleman of the 97th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Sammy H. Sanders; 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 Sammy H. Sanders; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Sanders was well-known and highly respected in Oconee County, Georgia,
- 5 where he spent a lifetime in education and public service; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he was born May 1, 1934, in Hart County, Georgia, to loving parents, Lillie
- 7 Bailey and Clemie G. Sanders, and graduated from the University of Georgia with degrees
- 8 in agriculture in 1955 and education in 1964; and
- 9 WHEREAS, he served in the U.S. Army from 1957-1959, taught vocational agriculture for
- 10 11 years, and became the superintendent of Oconee County Schools in 1965 where he served
- 11 with the utmost distinction for 28 years; and
- 12 WHEREAS, throughout his career, Mr. Sanders provided leadership, goals, and commitment
- 13 to the needs of public education in Oconee County, and he was an able administrator and
- 14 mentor to the fine staff of classroom teachers he attracted; and
- 15 WHEREAS, he was president of the Watkinsville Civitan Club and the Watkinsville Jaycees,
- 16 member and chairman of the Oconee County Board of Health, member of the Oconee
- 17 County Library Board, and charter member of the Oconee County Chamber of Commerce;
- 18 and
- 19 WHEREAS, he served with dedication as the Mayor of Watkinsville from 1994-2000, and
- 20 the life of this distinguished Georgian epitomized community service; and

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21 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern

- 22 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his
- 23 family and friends were admired by others; and
- 24 WHEREAS, Sammy H. Sanders was a person of magnanimous strengths with an
- 25 unimpeachable reputation for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the
- 26 example he made of his life, he made this world a better place in which to live.
- 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 Sammy H. Sanders 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 transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Sammy H.
- 32 Sanders.