

House Resolution 137

By: Representatives Holly of the 111th, Hopson of the 153rd, Jackson of the 64th, and Lewis-Ward of the 109th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commemorating the life of Command Sergeant Major (Ret.) Jimmie
2 "MaDaddy" Anderson; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Command Sergeant Major (Ret.) Jimmie Anderson, affectionately known as
4 "MaDaddy," was born to the late Simon and Alice Anderson on November 14, 1934, in
5 Sylvester, Georgia, in Worth County; and

6 WHEREAS, Command Sergeant Major (Ret.) Jimmie "MaDaddy" Anderson transcended
7 this life on Sunday, August 9, 2020, with the love of his life Catherine Rice Anderson and
8 daughter Dr. Tamra Gale Anderson-Marable, who were there to welcome him to his
9 heavenly home; and

10 WHEREAS, at an early age, Jimmie joined Macedonia Baptist Church in Sylvester,
11 acknowledging Jesus Christ as his Lord and savior; he loved and leaned on the Lord all his
12 life and taught his children to do the same; and

13 WHEREAS, in 1954, he married the love of his life, Catherine Rice, and they raised their
14 family of six daughters and one son, who were the other loves of his life, until his
15 grandchildren came along; and

16 WHEREAS, after graduating from Oak Hill High School, he attended Albany State College
17 before joining the Army and having a distinguished 30 year career; and

18 WHEREAS, Jimmie was an amazing father, grandfather, and great-grandfather; he was
19 equally an amazing soldier in the United States Army; and

20 WHEREAS, he was a disciplined man who progressed to the highest enlisted rank of
21 command sergeant major; he was both a drill sergeant and a drill sergeant instructor at Fort
22 Leonard Wood, Missouri, where he was also selected to attend the Army War College; and

23 WHEREAS, throughout his career, he received numerous awards and commendations
24 including the Bronze Star, the Army Commendation Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, and the
25 Vietnam Service Medal with one silver star; furthermore, he was a nine-time awardee of the
26 Good Conduct Medal, among others; and

27 WHEREAS, after his retirement, Jimmie worked at Morris Brown College as the director of
28 the physical plant, and he was also very active in his local community, serving as the
29 commander of Hampton American Legion Post 330 as well as participating in a weekly
30 bowling league with his wife; and

31 WHEREAS, Jimmie and his wife, Catherine, founded The Old Timers Military Retirement
32 Reunion, and after Catherine's transition, he established the Catherine Rice Anderson
33 Scholarship Fund in her honor.

34 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
35 the members of this body recognize and commemorate the life of Command Sergeant Major
36 (Ret.) Jimmie "MaDaddy" Anderson.

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
38 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
39 family of Command Sergeant Major (Ret.) Jimmie "MaDaddy" Anderson.