

House Resolution 1415

By: Representatives Prince of the 127th, Howard of the 124th, McClain of the 100th, Wilkerson of the 38th, Lumsden of the 12th, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Neal Archie McQueen; 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 Neal Archie McQueen; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Neal McQueen was born on January 24, 1934, in Rowland, North Carolina, the
5 oldest child of the late Elizabeth Kelly and Vernie McQueen; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
7 States Army and was awarded several distinctions, including the National Defense Service
8 Award with Oak Leaf Cluster, Vietnam Service Medal with Four Bronze Service Stars,
9 Vietnam Campaign Medal, two Overseas Service Bars, Bronze Star Medal with First Oak
10 Leaf Cluster, Good Conduct Medal, and Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm; he retired
11 with the rank of Sergeant First Class; and
- 12 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Neal McQueen was an active member of
13 Tabernacle Baptist Church for more than 50 years where he served as a Deacon, the
14 chairman of the Deacon Board, and was named Deacon Emeritus in 2009; and
- 15 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to Doris Bethea McQueen and was blessed
16 with four remarkable children, Dr. Sherron McQueen Jackson, Dr. Katrinda McQueen,
17 Phyllis McQueen Dodd, and Pamela McQueen Simms; five grandchildren, Alex Jackson,
18 Brandon McQueen, Melany Reynolds, Trey Porter, and Robert Porter; and two
19 great-grandchildren, Camille and Jeremiah McQueen; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Neal McQueen worked diligently with Boy Scout Troop 504, which had one
21 of the highest number of members to attain the rank of Eagle Scout, and in July, 2011, the
22 Neal A. McQueen Cub Scout Pack was chartered in recognition of his service; and

23 WHEREAS, a Master Mason for more than 55 years, he attained the highest office of the
24 order, Most Worshipful Grand Master, Prince Hall Masons, Jurisdiction of Georgia, and
25 served the Masons in numerous capacities throughout his membership; and

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

29 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, he will long be remembered for his love
30 of family and friendship, and this loyal gentleman and friend will be missed by all who had
31 the great fortune of knowing him.

32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
33 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Neal Archie McQueen and
34 express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
36 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Neal Archie
37 McQueen.