

House Resolution 1439

By: Representatives Rogers of the 29th, Hawkins of the 27th, Dunahoo of the 30th, and Barr of the 103rd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Dr. Robert Mansfield Jennings; 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 Dr. Robert Mansfield Jennings on May 31, 2013; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Dr. Jennings was born on October 4, 1927, in Brunswick, Georgia, a beloved
5 son of Henry Smith and Lillian Juanita Cannon Jennings; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he attended The Citadel Military College and served as a guardian of this
7 nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Armed Forces, valiantly and
8 courageously protecting his fellow Americans with H Troop, 7th Regiment, 1st Cavalry
9 Division in Japan; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Dr. Jennings graduated from Emory University where he joined Chi Phi
11 Fraternity and went on to attend Emory Dental School; and
- 12 WHEREAS, upon his graduation from dental school, Dr. Jennings accepted an appointment
13 with the United States Naval Reserve Dental Corps and served aboard the USS Randolph and
14 obtained the rank of Lieutenant JG; and
- 15 WHEREAS, he was a charter member of the Hall County Dental Study Club and the Georgia
16 Academy of Dental Practice and a member of the Georgia Society of Dentistry for Children,
17 the American Dental Association, the Georgia Dental Association, the Northern District
18 Dental Society, and the Hall County Dental Society; and
- 19 WHEREAS, Dr. Jennings was inducted as an Honorable Fellow of the Georgia Dental
20 Association, Fellow of the American College of Dentistry, Fellow of the International
21 College of Dentistry, and Fellow of the American Academy of General Practice; and

22 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Dr. Jennings was an active member of
23 Gainesville First United Methodist Church, where he served as a Sunday school teacher,
24 chairman of the administration board, and trustee, and later joined Lakewood Baptist Church;
25 and

26 WHEREAS, Dr. Jennings was united in love and marriage to Betty Smith Jennings, and was
27 blessed with three remarkable children, Harriet, Horace, and Robert, and seven wonderful
28 grandchildren, Matthew, Savannah, Finnigan, Riley, Robert, John, and Catherine; and

29 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Dr. Jennings will long be remembered for
30 his love of family and friendship, and this loyal husband, father, grandfather, brother, and
31 friend will be missed by all who had 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 Dr. Robert Mansfield
34 Jennings and 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 Dr. Robert
37 Mansfield Jennings.