

House Resolution 1521

By: Representatives Corbett of the 174th, Petrea of the 166th, Burchett of the 176th, Meeks of the 178th, and Williams of the 148th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Ella Nicole Knight; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most vibrant and outgoing
3 citizens with the passing of Ella Nicole Knight on June 18, 2023; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Ella Nicole Knight was born on April 28, 2008, in Brunswick, Georgia, a
5 beloved daughter of Trent Ryan Knight and Jennifer Nicole Copeland Knight; and
- 6 WHEREAS, she was an eighth-grade student at Brantley County Middle School and was
7 excited about heading to Brantley County High School; and
- 8 WHEREAS, she loved being outdoors riding in her black truck, boats, 4-wheelers, buggies,
9 hunting and fishing and also enjoyed going cart races, to concerts, and on vacation; and
- 10 WHEREAS, she lost her life in a tragic car accident, killed by a drunk driver who was also
11 operating with a suspended license; and
- 12 WHEREAS, she was driving with a valid learner's driving permit, with her grandmother in
13 the front passenger seat when he left his lane swerving into oncoming traffic going

14 approximately 77 mph and Ella died upon impact and her grandmother passed away en route
15 to the hospital; and

16 WHEREAS, she gave inspiration to many through her high ideals, morals, and deep concern
17 for her fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding she demonstrated to
18 her family and friends were admired by others; and

19 WHEREAS, she was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
20 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example she made of her life,
21 she made this world a better place in which to live; and

22 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous girl, she will long be remembered for her love
23 of family, friendship, and community and will be missed by all who had the great fortune of
24 knowing her; and

25 WHEREAS, one of her many mourners expressed the desire that her legacy live on while
26 making a difference in many lives and remind us that life is short so we should live and love
27 large.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
29 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Ella Nicole Knight and
30 express their deepest and most sincere regret at her passing.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
32 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
33 family of Ella Nicole Knight.