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House Resolution 1603

By: Representative Jackson of the 128th

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of William Deon Hooks; 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 William Deon Hooks on January 13, 2024; and
- 4 WHEREAS, William Deon Hooks was born on June 7, 1982, a beloved son of William
- 5 Hooks and Minister Evelyn Baldwin; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he graduated from Washington County High School in 2000, where he served
- 7 as the president of his class; furthered his education at West Georgia University; and enjoyed
- 8 gainful employment at the Macon Housing Authority; and
- 9 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
- 10 States Marine Corps, valiantly and courageously protecting his fellow Americans; and
- WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, William Deon Hooks was an active member
- 12 of the Saint James Christian Fellowship, where he served with a spirit of excellence as a
- 13 media technician and helped with the youth ministry; and

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

- 15 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his
- 16 family and friends were admired by others; and
- 17 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, William Deon Hooks will long be
- 18 remembered for his love of family, friendship, and community and will be missed by all who
- 19 had the great fortune of knowing him.
- 20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 21 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of William Deon Hooks and
- 22 express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.
- 23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 24 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
- 25 family of William Deon Hooks.