House Resolution 1603
By: Representative Jackson of the $128^{\text {th }}$

## A RESOLUTION

Honoring the life and memory of William Deon Hooks; and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens with the passing of William Deon Hooks on January 13, 2024; and

WHEREAS, William Deon Hooks was born on June 7, 1982, a beloved son of William Hooks and Minister Evelyn Baldwin; and

WHEREAS, he graduated from Washington County High School in 2000, where he served as the president of his class; furthered his education at West Georgia University; and enjoyed gainful employment at the Macon Housing Authority; and

WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United 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 of the Saint James Christian Fellowship, where he served with a spirit of excellence as a media technician and helped with the youth ministry; and
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WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his family and friends were admired by others; and

WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, William Deon Hooks will long be remembered for his love of family, friendship, and community and will be missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing him.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of William Deon Hooks and express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the family of William Deon Hooks.
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