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House Resolution 166

By: Representative Silcox of the 53rd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Donald "Don" Lanier Plunkett; 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 Donald "Don" Lanier Plunkett on January 25, 2023; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Don was born on September 17, 1942, at Piedmont Hospital in Atlanta,
- 5 Georgia, a beloved son of Harold Lanier and Dorothy Evans Plunkett; and
- 6 WHEREAS, as part of the United States Army Corps of Engineers, he valiantly and
- 7 courageously served at Fort Belvoir, Virginia; Fort Benning, Georgia; Naha; Okinawa; and
- 8 the Republic of Vietnam, where he was headquarters commandant of the 169th Engineer
- 9 Battalion; and
- 10 WHEREAS, following his military service, Don enjoyed a 55-year career as a commercial
- 11 real estate developer and owner of the billboard company Peachtree Outdoor Advertising;
- 12 he further served as founder and president of Plunkett Commercial Properties until his
- 13 passing; and

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14 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith who dedicated innumerable hours of his time

- and energy to his community, he was an active member of Holy Innocents' Episcopal
- 16 Church, where he was Scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 406; and
- 17 WHEREAS, he was blessed with three remarkable children, Brittany, Donald Jr., and
- 18 Bethany, as well as 13 wonderful grandchildren, Elizabeth, Hannah, Rebekah, Moses, Noah,
- 19 Ruth, Sarah, Austin, Hawk, Colt, Kendall, Ben, and Caroline; and
- 20 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern
- 21 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his
- 22 family and friends were admired by others; and
- 23 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
- 24 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example he made of his life, he
- 25 made this world a better place in which to live; and
- 26 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Don will long be remembered for his love
- of family, friendship, and community and will be missed by all who had the great fortune of
- 28 knowing him.
- 29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 30 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Donald "Don" Lanier
- 31 Plunkett and express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.
- 32 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
- 34 family of Donald "Don" Lanier Plunkett.