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House Resolution 1682

By: Representatives Knight of the 130th and Mathiak of the 73rd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending the Wildlife Club; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the Wildlife Club was established in Griffin, Georgia, as a hunting club that
- 3 also sponsored two recreational baseball teams and a Boy Scout Troop; and
- 4 WHEREAS, the Wildlife Club promoted conservation, ethical hunting, and Christian
- 5 fellowship as well as camaraderie; and
- 6 WHEREAS, in the early 1970s, there was an effort by the state to dam the Flint River at
- 7 Spruill Bluff; in response, several club members invited and took Governor Jimmy Carter
- 8 on a float down the Flint River in an effort to show him what pristine habitat would be lost;
- 9 and
- 10 WHEREAS, the trip with Governor Carter convinced him to halt the project, saving what is
- 11 to this day a beautiful river to fish, wade, canoe, and camp; and
- 12 WHEREAS, the Wildlife Club has faced adversities, such as having the clubhouse burn
- down twice, but the members have always pitched in to rebuild buildings, acquire and
- 14 improve more land, and constantly improve the deer and turkey habitats; and
- 15 WHEREAS, for 53 continuous years, the Wildlife Club has encouraged and promoted
- 16 conservation, quality deer management, youth participation in hunting and fishing, and
- 17 firearms safety; and
- 18 WHEREAS, its charter member, Mr. Bobby Crosby, has continuously participated in these
- 19 activities for 53 years, including the trip with Governor Carter; and
- 20 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of the
- 21 Wildlife Club be appropriately recognized.

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22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that

- 23 the members of this body recognize and commend the Wildlife Club and its charter members
- 24 for their consistent and unwavering commitment to passing on a legacy of outdoor sports to
- 25 numerous generations and extend best wishes for continued success.
- 26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 27 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
- 28 Wildlife Club.