

House Resolution 20EX

By: Representative Bennett of the 94th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of James Edward "Sonny" Wynn; 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 James Edward "Sonny" Wynn; and
- 4 WHEREAS, James Edward "Sonny" Wynn was born on July 9, 1934, in Douglas County,
5 Georgia, a beloved son of Willie and Louise Kemp Wynn; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Sonny graduated from Hutcheson High School in 1952 and, recognizing the
7 need to learn a trade, enrolled in trade school to acquire carpentry skills; and
- 8 WHEREAS, he worked during the day as a laborer in the construction industry and attended
9 night school to learn how to read blueprints, ultimately dedicating over 36 years to Beers
10 Construction Company before his retirement in 1994 as a brick mason foreman; and
- 11 WHEREAS, beyond his professional life, Sonny utilized his blueprint reading and carpentry
12 skills to benefit the Douglasville community, contributing to the construction of many family
13 homes as well as Fairfield A.M.E. Church and the Tranquil A.M.E. Church sanctuary, where
14 the Fellowship Hall is named in his honor; and

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15 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to his wife, Catherine, and was blessed with
16 seven remarkable children, Dwight, Dennis, Kendra, Cathy, Carla, Douglas, and Daniel; four
17 wonderful grandchildren, Kendall, Joya, Chelsea, and Kristian; and one outstanding
18 great-grandchild, Paiyton; and

19 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern
20 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his
21 family and friends were admired by others; and

22 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
23 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example he made of his life, he
24 made this world a better place in which to live; and

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

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 James Edward "Sonny"
30 Wynn and express their deepest and most sincere regret at his 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 James Edward "Sonny" Wynn.