House Resolution 213

By: Representatives Blackmon of the 146th, Clark of the 147th, Dickey of the 140th, Williams of the 148th, and Mathis of the 144th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life and memory of Ernest W. Wood; 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 Ernest W. Wood on February 10, 2021, at the age of 94; and

WHEREAS, Ernest W. Wood was born on June 28, 1926, in Gainesville, Georgia, a beloved
son of late Ernest W. and Annie Reynolds Wood; and

6 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
7 States Navy, valiantly and courageously protecting his fellow Americans during World War
8 II; and

9 WHEREAS, this distinguished gentleman dedicated 27 years to serving his community, 25
10 of which were spent as a respected fire chief with the Warner Robins Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, an active and dedicated member of the community, Ernest served as a member
of the Veterans of Foreign War and the Waterford Golf Club and founded Warner Robins
VFW Post 6605's current location; and

14 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Ernest W. Wood was a long-time active

- 15 member of Central Baptist Church and later of First Baptist Church as well as a long-time
- 16 Mason with the Middle Georgia DL Lodge #756 in Bonaire, Georgia; and

WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to his wife of 74 years, Margaret, and was
blessed with four remarkable children, Terry, Thomas, Nancy, and Ernie; 13 wonderful
grandchildren, Gia, Miranda, Chad, Asa, Elizabeth, Lee III, Bryan, Bonnie, Aimee, Margaret,

20 Garrett, Amanda, and Golden; and 30 outstanding great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Ernest W. Wood will long be remembered
for his love of family, friendship, and community and will be missed by all who had the great

23 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 Ernest W. Wood 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 Ernest W. Wood.