

House Resolution 215

By: Representatives Morris of the 156th, Nimmer of the 178th, Martin of the 49th, Powell of the 171st, and Meadows of the 5th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Jeff Baxley as Appling County's 2016 Citizen of the Year;
2 and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Jeff Baxley was born and raised in Appling County and through the years he
4 served his community in a variety of ways; and

5 WHEREAS, a graduate of Appling County High School, Jeff Baxley attended Georgia
6 Southwestern State University where he received his bachelor's degree in Education; and

7 WHEREAS, sharing his love and passion for sports, he served as Recreation Director for the
8 Baxley/Appling County Recreation Department for four years before serving as City
9 Manager for the City of Baxley for nearly 25 years; and

10 WHEREAS, he is an active member of First Baptist Church, serving as a Deacon and
11 Chairperson for the Walk Through Bethlehem Live Nativity Event; and

12 WHEREAS, Jeff Baxley has selflessly given his time and talents by serving on numerous
13 boards, committees, and civic clubs in the community, including the Chamber of Commerce,
14 Tree Festival, Tourism, Development Authority, Kiwanis Club, United Way, Director with
15 Altamaha/Coastal Pines Technical College, and Stakeholder for the Appling County Board
16 of Education; and

17 WHEREAS, he is also a member of the Georgia City/County Managers Association and the
18 International City Managers Association; and

19 WHEREAS, he is united in love and marriage to his wife, Edie, and together they are blessed
20 with two remarkable children, Lindsey and Jamey; and three beautiful grandchildren, Bax,
21 Sammy Tate, and Edie Kate; and

22 WHEREAS, he is a Christian, devoted husband, wonderful father and grandfather, as well
23 as a trusted friend and colleague, and he has faithfully served Baxley and Appling County
24 through his hard work and dedication; and

25 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the accomplishments and contributions
26 of this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
28 the members of this body join in recognizing and commending Jeff Baxley as Appling
29 County's 2016 Citizen of the Year.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
31 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Jeff
32 Baxley.