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House Resolution 31

By: Representatives Welch of the 110th, Jones of the 167th, and Williams of the 168th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life, memory, and selfless service of Chief Frank A. "Little Frank" McClelland,
- 2 Jr.; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens
- 4 and law enforcement officers with the passing of Chief Frank A. "Little Frank" McClelland,
- 5 Jr., in the line of duty on September 15, 2018; and
- 6 WHEREAS, a lifelong resident of Long County, Chief McClelland was born on August 6,
- 7 1949, in Jesup, Georgia, a beloved son of Frank and Geraldine McClelland; and
- 8 WHEREAS, he served for four years as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with
- 9 the United States Air Force, valiantly and courageously protecting his fellow Americans
- 10 during the Vietnam War; and
- 11 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Chief McClelland was an active member of
- 12 First Baptist Church and was laid to rest at Jones Creek Memorial Gardens in Ludowici; and
- 13 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to his wife, Cindy, and was blessed with
- 14 three remarkable children, eight wonderful grandchildren, and three spectacular
- 15 great-grandchildren; and
- 16 WHEREAS, he put himself through Peace Officer Standards and Training and after
- 17 graduation in October, 1994, he began his career in law enforcement with the Liberty County
- 18 Sheriff's Department, where he remained until his retirement as lieutenant in 2015; and
- 19 WHEREAS, he returned to law enforcement as a part-time officer with the Ludowici Police
- 20 Department in 2016 and by 2017 was promoted to the position of Chief of Police of the
- 21 department; and

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22 WHEREAS, he was an honest and dedicated public servant who worked for excellence in

- 23 all of his endeavors and whose primary concern was the welfare and safety of the citizens of
- 24 the City of Ludowici and he is lovingly remembered as someone who lived his life always
- 25 working to come to the aid of others, whether as an officer or as a kind civilian and neighbor;
- 26 and
- 27 WHEREAS, beyond his work on the city's police force, he served his community in many
- 28 ways, including as a member of the Ludowici City Council for 26 years; and
- 29 WHEREAS, he was highly regarded by the citizens of his community and by state and local
- 30 government officials as a man of unquestioned integrity and dedication to the administration
- 31 of justice and sound principles of law enforcement; and
- 32 WHEREAS, this spirited law enforcement professional exhibited extraordinary devotion to
- duty, outstanding loyalty, fine leadership, and meticulous attention to detail in all of his
- 34 duties; and
- 35 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Chief McClelland will long be remembered
- 36 for his service to this state and country and will be missed by all who had the great fortune
- 37 of knowing him.
- 38 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 39 the members of this body join in honoring the life, memory, and selfless service of Chief
- 40 Frank A. "Little Frank" McClelland, Jr., and express their deepest and most sincere regret
- 41 at his passing.
- 42 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
- 44 family of Chief Frank A. "Little Frank" McClelland, Jr.