

House Resolution 405

By: Representatives Belton of the 112th, Dickerson of the 113th, Rutledge of the 109th, and Welch of the 110th

A RESOLUTION

1 Congratulating Ramsey Furniture Company upon the grand occasion of its 100th
2 anniversary; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, for 100 years, Ramsey Furniture Company has been home to Covington's
4 largest selection of home furnishings with more than 30,000 square feet of furniture on
5 display and is one of the largest and oldest furniture dealers in Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, C.D. Ramsey founded the Ramsey Furniture Company in the fall of 1919; and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. C.D. Ramsey had five children, most of whom worked in the
8 store; C.D. Ramsey, Jr., started working at the store in 1922 and continued to manage it until
9 his son, Sam Ramsey, returned from military service in 1964; Sam continues to work at the
10 store to this day; and

11 WHEREAS, Sam later became the Mayor of the City of Covington and served in this
12 position from 1998 to 2008; and

13 WHEREAS, Mayor Samuel David Ramsey is a fifth generation descendent of the original
14 settlers of Newton County, Georgia, and was united in love and marriage to his wife,
15 Rebecca Ann Griffin Ramsey; and

16 WHEREAS, Mayor Ramsey is president and CEO of Ramsey Furniture Company, served
17 as the chairman of the Salem Camp Ground Program Committee for 53 years, and served the
18 City of Covington for 37 years, including 11 years as the mayor; and

19 WHEREAS, because of Mayor Ramsey's leadership, the City of Covington was named the
20 "City of Excellence" by *Georgia Trend Magazine* in 2003, which attracted hundreds of new
21 businesses to the City of Covington; and

22 WHEREAS, these new businesses had an economic impact of billions of dollars; under the
23 leadership of Mayor Ramsey, the City of Covington also established a homeless center and
24 many other facilities for the underprivileged, lengthened the Covington Municipal Airport
25 runway, and refurbished downtown Covington; and

26 WHEREAS, an astute local leader, Mayor Ramsey has been a member of the First United
27 Methodist Church of Covington for 79 years, served in the United States Air Force during
28 the Cuban Missile Crisis, and has been a member of the Executive Board of the Atlanta Area
29 Council of Boy Scouts of America for 50 years and Kiwanis International for 53 years; and

30 WHEREAS, the Ramsey family, with its long-standing relationships with furniture
31 manufacturers, is able to pass savings on to their customers; and

32 WHEREAS, serving the people they know has always been enjoyable for the Ramsey family,
33 and it is something that sets the store apart from other, larger furniture chains; and

34 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper to recognize the unparalleled personal
35 customer service experience offered by Ramsey Furniture Company.

36 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
37 the members of this body congratulate Ramsey Furniture Company upon the grand occasion
38 of its 100th anniversary and extend their most sincere best wishes for continued success.

39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
40 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
41 Ramsey Furniture Company.