

House Resolution 515

By: Representatives Lumsden of the 12th, Dempsey of the 13th, and Scoggins of the 14th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Alfred Shropshire, the 2021 Heart of the Community Award
2 recipient; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Alfred Shropshire and his twin brother, Allen, were born on June 25, 1934, in
4 Rome, Georgia, to parents Jessie and Pharies Shropshire Sr.; and

5 WHEREAS, Alfred graduated from Lincoln University with honors and served two years in
6 the United States Army; following his military service, Alfred worked at Albert Einstein
7 Medical Center in Philadelphia, where he worked to develop a drug that was taken as a
8 protection against radiation; and

9 WHEREAS, two years later in 1961, he moved his employment to Wyeth Laboratory and
10 Pharmaceuticals in Radnor, Pennsylvania, where he worked in neuropsychopharmacology
11 until his retirement, eventually moving back home to Rome, Georgia; and

12 WHEREAS, some of his many community projects and efforts have included the following:
13 serving with Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc. as a member and volunteer with the Rome
14 NAACP, as a volunteer with Habitat for Humanity, as the elder of Westminster Presbyterian
15 Church, and as a volunteer with West Rome Community Kitchen and Wesley Southern

16 Methodist Food Distribution; receiving the Community Service Award from Bishop Norris
17 K. Allen; and assisting with renovations at the Food Pantry at South Broad Methodist
18 Church, Rome History Museum, and Women's Shelter; and

19 WHEREAS, Alfred was married to the late Pearl Thompson and was blessed with twin girls,
20 Tracey and Karen, as well as one son, Alfred Jr.; he exemplified the phrase "being a blessing
21 to others," and it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding contributions of this
22 exemplary and distinguished person be appropriately recognized.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
24 the members of this body recognize and commend Alfred Shropshire for his outstanding
25 dedication to the community and for receiving the 2021 Heart of the Community Award and
26 extend the most sincere best wishes for continued success.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
28 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
29 Alfred Shropshire.