

House Resolution 549

By: Representative Smith of the 138th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Kenneth Eugene Irvin; 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 Kenneth Eugene Irvin on March 6, 2023, at the age of 90; and
- 4 WHEREAS, born on December 10, 1932, he was cherished by his friends and family for his
5 love of flying airplanes, riding motorcycles, and working in his wood shop; 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 from 1952 to 1955;
8 and
- 9 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Kenneth Eugene Irvin was an active member
10 of Southside Baptist Church who made more than 700 wooden crosses and gave them away
11 to his fellow citizens; and
- 12 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern
13 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his
14 family and friends were admired by others; and

15 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
16 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example he made of his life, he
17 made this world a better place in which to live; and

18 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Kenneth Eugene Irvin will long be
19 remembered for his love of family, friendship, and community and will be missed by all who
20 had the great fortune of knowing him.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
22 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Kenneth Eugene Irvin and
23 express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
25 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
26 family of Kenneth Eugene Irvin.