

House Resolution 61

By: Representatives Burnough of the 77th and Smyre of the 135th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the Craft-Warr family upon the occasion of its family reunion; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the fourth through eighth generations of the Craft-Warr family will gather in
4 Atlanta, Georgia, on July 12–14, 2019, for their semiannual reunion to honor the history,
5 legacy, and traditions of their ancestors; and

6 WHEREAS, the rich history of this extraordinary family began in the 1800s when biological
7 brothers John Warr and Richmond Craft, who were separated while enslaved, reunited after
8 the Emancipation Proclamation was issued; and

9 WHEREAS, after the Civil War, John Warr remained in Rossville, Tennessee, while
10 Richmond Craft settled in Early Grove, Mississippi, but many descendants of these brothers
11 have since migrated and settled in other parts of the country; and

12 WHEREAS, although solving the surname mystery remains a challenging focal point of the
13 family's genealogical research, descendants of John Warr and Richmond Craft residing
14 throughout the United States continue to flourish and honor and preserve their family history
15 for future generations; and

16 WHEREAS, the Craft-Warr family is composed of many exemplary citizens who are made
17 exceedingly strong in their everlasting unity and unyielding faith, demonstrating the very
18 best in American family life, and it is abundantly fitting and proper to recognize them on the
19 occasion of their family's reunion.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
21 the members of this body honor the Craft-Warr family for its remarkable history and
22 commitment to kinship and extend best wishes for the success of future generations.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
24 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
25 Craft-Warr family.