

House Resolution 828

By: Representatives Smyre of the 135th, Smith of the 134th, Hugley of the 136th, Buckner of the 137th, and Smith of the 133rd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Manning Thomas "Tom" Jeter III; 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 Manning Thomas "Tom" Jeter III on November 13, 2021; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Manning Thomas "Tom" Jeter III was born on October 30, 1946, in
5 Montgomery, Alabama, a beloved son of Manning Thomas Jeter Jr. and Mary Louise Loard
6 Jeter; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Tom exemplified the essence of a southern gentleman in his demeanor, loving
8 manners, and treatment of everyone whom he made contact with; and
- 9 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Tom was an active member of First Baptist
10 Church of Columbus, Georgia; and
- 11 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
12 States Army, valiantly and courageously protecting his fellow Americans during the Vietnam
13 War and achieving the rank of captain; and

14 WHEREAS, after his retirement, Tom worked as an independent contractor doing
15 background checks and security clearances for the United States Secret Service and the
16 United States Department of State; and

17 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to his wife, Rebecca, and was blessed with
18 two remarkable children, Manning IV and Lee, as well as six wonderful grandchildren,
19 Alexis, Emma, Erin, Ways, Aileen, and Gage; and

20 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern
21 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his
22 family and friends were admired by others; and

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

26 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Tom will long be remembered for his love
27 of family, friendship, and community and will be missed by all who had the great fortune of
28 knowing him.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
30 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Manning Thomas "Tom"
31 Jeter III and express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
33 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
34 family of Manning Thomas "Tom" Jeter III.