

House Resolution 887

By: Representative Ralston of the 7<sup>th</sup>

### A RESOLUTION

1 Congratulating and commending Mercier Orchards; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, this year, Mercier Orchards enjoys the distinction of celebrating the 75th  
3 anniversary of its founding; and

4 WHEREAS, under the guiding hands of the Mercier Family and through the exemplary work  
5 ethic demonstrated daily by its dedicated employees, this outstanding company has grown  
6 from its humble beginnings in 1943 to become one of the leading orchards in this country;  
7 and

8 WHEREAS, this fourth-generation, family-owned orchard has established a glowing  
9 reputation of renown throughout Georgia for its delicious apples, blackberries, peaches,  
10 plums, blueberries, strawberries, nectarines, cherries, watermelons, cantaloupes, and  
11 vegetables; and

12 WHEREAS, more than 600,000 people visit Mercier Orchards annually to taste its delightful  
13 fruits, vegetables, ciders, and wines and to marvel at its rolling hills and valleys covering  
14 more than 300 acres of scenic Blue Ridge land in North Georgia; and

15 WHEREAS, the orchard is renowned across the world for the resplendent flavor of its  
16 signature apples; and

17 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments and  
18 history of this extraordinary company be appropriately recognized.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
20 the members of this body congratulate Mercier Orchards on its 75th anniversary, commend  
21 it for its many outstanding contributions on behalf of the citizens of Georgia, and extend best  
22 wishes for its continued growth, development, and success.

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  
25 Mercier Orchards.