

House Resolution 915

By: Representatives Dickerson of the 113th, Welch of the 110th, Belton of the 112th, and Rutledge of the 109th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Almond Turner; 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 Almond Turner; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Almond Turner was born in Covington, Georgia, and remained active in his
5 community throughout his entire life; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Almond Turner protected and served the people of Covington and Newton
7 County as a member of the Covington Police Department and city employee for 45 years;
8 he held the position of assistant police chief with pride and excellence from 1997 until his
9 retirement in 2016 and served as a reserve deputy sheriff for the Newton County Sheriff's
10 Office; and
- 11 WHEREAS, he served as a staple on the board of the Newton County School System, where
12 he advocated for classroom and bus safety and disciplinary fairness; he was chair of the
13 board in 2018; and
- 14 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, he was an active member of Springfield
15 Baptist Church, serving as a deacon and director of the Ministry Protection Team; and
- 16 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to his wife, Anita, and was blessed with
17 three remarkable children, Dwahn, Shaye, and Shundra; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Almond Turner gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and
19 deep concern for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he
20 demonstrated to his family and friends were admired by others; and

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

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

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
28 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Almond Turner and
29 express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
31 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
32 family of Almond Turner.