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House Resolution 929

By: Representatives Williamson of the 115th and Kirby of the 114th

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending John Redding on his outstanding public service and induction
- 2 into the National Association of Conservation Districts Hall of Distinction; and for other
- 3 purposes.
- 4 WHEREAS, John Redding has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the vital
- 5 role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the
- 6 citizens of Georgia; and
- 7 WHEREAS, John Redding's involvement with the National Association of Conservation
- 8 Districts (NACD) and natural resources conservation began through his service with the
- 9 Walton County Conservation District, which he chaired for 31 years; and
- 10 WHEREAS, John has served NACD in many capacities, including representing the State of
- 11 Georgia as a board member, committee chair, regional chair, executive board member,
- 12 treasurer, and president; and
- 13 WHEREAS, John was also selected by US Secretary of Agriculture Vilsack to serve as a
- panelist at the National Rural Summit and by President George W. Bush to participate in the

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15 Collaborative Conservation event in Washington, D.C., and is the only Georgian to serve as

- 16 President of NACD since its founding in 1946; and
- 17 WHEREAS, he owns a 500-acre farm in southwest Georgia, implementing soil and water
- 18 conservation practices in the production of cotton, peanuts, and timber, as well as currently
- 19 serving as a representative with the Walton County Conservation District, Board Member
- 20 Emeritus for the Georgia Association of Conservation Districts (GACD), and Treasurer for
- 21 the National Conservation Foundation; and
- WHEREAS, John Redding has served with honor and distinction with NACD, and his vision
- 23 and unyielding commitment serve as a cornerstone to the conservation of Georgia's
- 24 resources; and
- 25 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
- 26 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.
- 27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 28 the members of this body recognize and commend John Redding for his efficient, effective,
- 29 unselfish, and dedicated public service to the State of Georgia and extend the most sincere
- 30 best wishes for continued health and happiness.
- 31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to John
- 33 Redding.