A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Bruce Gilbert; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Bruce Gilbert represented the citizens of Madison, Georgia, for more than three

3 decades as a City Councilman (1974-1988) and twice as Mayor (1989-2005, 2009-2012); and

4 WHEREAS, he was instrumental to Madison in winning numerous awards, including *Travel*

5 Holiday magazine's award "Best Small Town in America"; Holiday Travel magazine's "The

6 Prettiest Small Town in America"; Budget Travel's "One of the Most Picturesque Villages

7 in the World"; and PTO Today: Morgan County Elementary School winning "Best PTO in

- 8 America"; and
- 9 WHEREAS, he is the son of Demus and Vivian Gilbert, a native of Morgan County, a
- 10 graduate of Morgan County High School, attended Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College,
- 11 and received a Bachelor of Science Degree from the University of Georgia; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Gilbert has worked in the family hardware business, the family's real estate

- 13 business, Madison Realty, and drove a Morgan County school bus for multiple years; and
- 14 WHEREAS, he has served the community as a member of various boards and committees,
- 15 including most recently as the president of the Morgan County Historical Society and as the
- 16 chairman of the newly formed Madison Planning and Zoning Commission; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Bruce has been united in love and marriage to Judy Gilbert for 48 years, and

18 is blessed with three children: Lee, Kurt, and Christina and seven grandchildren: Vivian,

19 Lucia, Mary Walker, Jake, Ashurst, Cameron, and Payson.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that

21 the members of this body commend Bruce Gilbert for his effective and dedicated public

- 22 service to the city of Madison, Georgia, and extend to him their most sincere best wishes for
- 23 continued health and happiness.
- 24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 25 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Bruce
- 26 Gilbert.