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Senate Resolution 1061

By: Senator Harbison of the 15th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Mr. William Fokes "Bill" Massee; 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 Mr. William Fokes "Bill" Massee on February 9, 2016; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Massee was born in Fort Valley, a beloved son of David and Minnie
- 5 Massee; and
- 6 WHEREAS, a lifelong resident of Marshallville, he graduated from the University of
- 7 Georgia and retired from Hasbro, Inc.; and
- 8 WHEREAS, after his retirement, he served on the Marshallville City Council; was the Mayor
- 9 of Marshallville for 12 years and improved life in the city; and was a member of the Georgia
- 10 Municipal Association; and
- 11 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Massee was an active member of
- 12 Marshallville United Methodist Church; and
- 13 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to his wife, Carrie, and was blessed with 11
- 14 remarkable children, Richard, Carey, Debra, Scott, Michelle, Patrick, Kelly, Matthew, Ariel,
- 15 Lisa, and Wade, and 12 wonderful grandchildren; and
- 16 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern
- 17 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his
- 18 family and friends were admired by others; and
- 19 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
- 20 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example he made of his life, he
- 21 made this world a better place in which to live; and

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WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Mr. Massee will long be remembered for

- 23 his love of family and friendship and will be missed by all who had the great fortune of
- 24 knowing him.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 26 join in honoring the life and memory of Mr. William Fokes "Bill" Massee and express their
- 27 deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.
- 28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 29 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the family of Mr.
- 30 William Fokes "Bill" Massee.