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House Resolution 1043

By: Representatives Smith of the 133<sup>rd</sup>, Buckner of the 137<sup>th</sup>, and Smith of the 134<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Mayor Rebecca "Becky" Chambers; 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 Mayor Rebecca "Becky" Chambers on January 18, 2020; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mayor Chambers was born on November 5, 1944, in Valdosta, Georgia, a
- 5 beloved daughter of Domer Fredrick Jr. and Geraldine Wisenbaker Ridings; and
- 6 WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, Mayor Chambers was an active member of
- 7 Hamilton United Methodist Church, where she volunteered with the youth group; and
- 8 WHEREAS, she was united in love and marriage to her husband, the late Jim Chambers, and
- 9 was blessed with two remarkable stepsons, Colonel Alan Chambers and Walter Chambers,
- and two wonderful grandchildren; and
- 11 WHEREAS, in 2003, she was the first woman elected to serve as mayor of Hamilton,
- 12 Georgia, a position she held for 16 years; and
- 13 WHEREAS, a retired teacher, Mayor Chambers taught at Harris County Middle School for
- more than 30 years; and
- 15 WHEREAS, she gave inspiration to many through her high ideals, morals, and deep concern
- 16 for her fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding she demonstrated to
- 17 her family and friends were admired by others; and
- 18 WHEREAS, she was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
- 19 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example she made of her life,
- 20 she made this world a better place in which to live; and

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21 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous woman, Mayor Chambers will long be

- 22 remembered for her love of family, friendship, and community and will be missed by all who
- 23 had the great fortune of knowing her.
- 24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 25 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Mayor Rebecca "Becky"
- 26 Chambers and express their deepest and most sincere regret at her passing.
- 27 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 the
- 29 family of Mayor Rebecca "Becky" Chambers.