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House Resolution 95

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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending and congratulating Danny Tatum on the occasion of his retirement; and for
- 2 other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Danny Tatum served the Department of Natural Resources for more than 32
- 4 years; and
- 5 WHEREAS, he served as the first assistant manager of Tallulah Gorge State Park when the
- 6 park was formed in 1993 and played an essential part in its formation from the very
- 7 beginning, being a part of the Jane Hurt Yarn Interpretive Center construction as well as
- 8 working with Georgia Power in partnership to form the rim trails and initial whitewater
- 9 releases; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Danny served 17 years at Tallulah Gorge State Park as park manager and under
- 11 his leadership Tallulah Gorge State Park became a park of excellence, having the opportunity
- 12 to welcome guests from Georgia, other states, and countries around the world; and
- 13 WHEREAS, he also served from 1990 until his retirement as a member of the DNR search
- 14 and rescue team and the DNR law enforcement management staff, during which time he was
- 15 instrumental in numerous search and rescues at Tallulah Gorge, Amicalola Falls State Park,
- and other parks and park owned lands; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Danny served from 1992 until 2015 as a DNR Deputy Conservation Ranger and
- was named Ranger of the Year in 1992 and Manager of the Year in 2016; and
- 19 WHEREAS, during his service, Danny was assigned to Unicoi, Tugaloo, Amicalola Falls,
- 20 Moccasin Creek, Fort Mountain, Black Rock Mountain, and Tallulah Gorge State Parks and
- 21 served each assignment with dignity and outstanding ability; and

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22 WHEREAS, thanks to his integrity, vision, and determination, Danny Tatum's decades of

- 23 public service have made Georgia a better place, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that
- 24 the outstanding accomplishments of this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be
- appropriately recognized.
- 26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 27 the members of this body commend Danny Tatum for his many years of exemplary service
- 28 to the state, congratulate him on the occasion of his retirement, and extend sincere best
- 29 wishes for continued health and happiness.
- 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
- 32 Danny Tatum.