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HOUSE MEMORIAL RESOLUTION

IN RESPECTFUL MEMORY OF MR. LLOYD GEORGE AND IN
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Subtitle

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WHEREAS, Mr. Lloyd George of Birta, Arkansas, died on Saturday,
February 25, 2012, at the age of eighty-five (85) years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. George was a lifelong and proud resident of Yell County,
Arkansas, a stand-out athlete and graduate of Ola High School and a
basketball letterman, track letterman, and graduate of Hendrix College, and
later a graduate student at the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville; and

WHEREAS, Mr. George possessed a lifelong passion for education and for
educating, serving the young people of Arkansas as a teacher and coach in
Fourche Valley, Ola, Morrilton, and Gillette; and

WHEREAS, Mr. George was a small businessman in his local community,
opening a butane gas company in Danville, Arkansas, a community he would come
to call his home, a place where he raised a family with his wife Betty Sue,
and where he remained active in sports, playing on independent basketball and
baseball teams throughout the 1950s; and



WHEREAS, Mr. George provided for a family that would eventually grow to include four (4) children and nine (9) grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Mr. George began his illustrious political career by being elected as Mayor of Danville, Arkansas, and in 1962 was elected to his first term as a member of the House of Representatives in the Arkansas General Assembly, a career that eventually spanned four (4) decades; and

WHEREAS, as a member of the Arkansas General Assembly, Mr. George demonstrated a passion for the citizens of Arkansas as he served as Chairman of the Arkansas Legislative Council, Chairman of the Joint Auditing Committee, House Speaker Pro Tempore, and Chairman of the Southwest Energy Council; and

WHEREAS, Mr. George worked tirelessly and ultimately successfully in the rebuilding of the Lodge at Mount Magazine where the people of Arkansas recognized his contributions to this state by naming the west wing of the \$35 million facility in his honor; and

WHEREAS, following his retirement from public life, Mr. George returned to his beloved farm in Yell County where he continued to follow and be active in all aspects of political and community life; and

WHEREAS, Mr. George proudly watched as his family continued to prosper and his eldest son, Nathan, was elected to the same legislative seat held by Mr. George; and

WHEREAS, the House of Representatives wishes to publicly recognize Mr. George's contributions to the State of Arkansas and his local community,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EIGHTY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

THAT the House of Representatives recognizes Lloyd George's commitment, hard work, dedication, and years of service to the State of Arkansas and his

local community, and commends him for his leadership.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the individual members of the House of Representatives hereby express sincere condolences to the family of Mr. George, and upon adoption of this resolution, an appropriate copy shall be provided to the family of Mr. George by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.