

## HJR164 INTRODUCED



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4 HJR\_\_\_ RECOGNIZING THE GOLDEN RULE ANTI-BULLYING PROGRAM AND  
5 HONORING PETER V. GREGERSON FOR HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO  
6 COMMUNITY EDUCATION AND STUDENT DEVELOPMENT.  
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8 WHEREAS, the Golden Rule Anti-Bullying Program has  
9 been instrumental in promoting kindness, respect, and  
10 personal responsibility among students across our community,  
11 providing invaluable lessons to fifth graders and middle  
12 school students; and

13 WHEREAS, the foundation of this impactful program is  
14 inspired by the book *The Golden Rule: The Best Way to Live*,  
15 authored by Peter V. Gregerson, whose words have served as a  
16 guiding principle in fostering positive character  
17 development and encouraging young people to treat others  
18 with dignity and respect; and

19 WHEREAS, this program, presented by Gadsden State  
20 Community College Police Department Chief Jay Freeman and  
21 supported by numerous community leaders, has reached  
22 countless students, helping to shape a generation that  
23 values empathy and integrity in their daily interactions;  
24 and

25 WHEREAS, the late Janet Gregerson, a devoted  
26 supporter of this initiative, played a significant role in  
27 advocating its success, ensuring that the principles of the  
28 Golden Rule were instilled in the hearts and minds of young



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individuals; and

WHEREAS, the Golden Rule Anti-Bullying Program has already changed lives by empowering students with the knowledge and confidence to stand against bullying while fostering a culture of inclusion and respect; and

WHEREAS, the long-term impact of this program will continue to shape the character of our youth, creating a positive effect that extends beyond the classroom and into our broader community for generations to come; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Peter V. Gregerson is formally recognized and commended for his invaluable contribution to education and character-building through his book, *The Golden Rule: The Best Way to Live*.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we honor the late Janet Gregerson for her unwavering dedication to this cause and recognize her enduring legacy in supporting a program that continues to bring positive change.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we commend Chief Jay Freeman, the Gadsden State Community College Police Department, and all community supporters who have championed this initiative, ensuring that students across our region receive this vital education.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Peter and Janet Gregerson as a token of appreciation for their commitment to



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56 promoting kindness, respect, and the Golden Rule as a  
57 guiding principle for all.  
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