

**RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR THE
HONORABLE JACK J. SPALDING**

We, the members of the Atlanta Historical Society, assembled in our regular quarterly meeting, this July 30, 1938, do by a unanimous rising vote pass this resolution regarding the appreciation we have for and the regret we feel at losing the leadership of our beloved President, the Honorable Jack J. Spalding. It has been given to but few men to make for themselves a place in the hearts of the people of the city, such as is held by Jack J. Spalding-respected, esteemed and beloved.

Coming to Atlanta from his home in Kentucky in January, 1882, at the age of twenty-six, his dynamic personality began at once to be felt by those he met. Atlanta was just then beginning to get on her feet and wipe out the scars left by the ravages of war, and she needed men of vision who had the fine legal mind and business ability that this young man possessed. Such men as Alex C. King and Pat Calhoun were attracted to him, and the outstanding legal firm of Calhoun, King and Spalding was a leader in every movement for the good of Atlanta, Georgia, and the South for many, many years.

But not alone in the circles of law and business were his ability and influence felt. Like many other great men, he recognized his debt to his God and his Church and gave liberally of his talents to his religious life. In appreciation of these efforts, he was made a Knight of St. Gregory by Pope Benedict in 1927, being then the fourth Georgian so to be honored, and in 1931 he was made a Knight of Malta. In 1928, he received the Laetare Medal from Notre Dame.

However, it is of the great work that he has done for this Society that we would especially speak tonight: During his administration of two years-he was elected in July, 1936 -the organization has done its most effective work. Under his leadership it was reorganized and placed on a professional and sound financial basis....

Attest:

RUTH BLAIR,
Executive Secretary.