

Senate Resolution 776

By: Senators Moore of the 18th, Hill of the 4th, Cable of the 27th, Hooks of the 14th, Harp of the 16th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the 116th Bomb Wing of the Georgia Air National Guard at
2 Robins Air Force Base; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the 116th Bomb Wing of the Georgia Air National Guard at Robins Air Force
4 Base is the successor to the 158th Observation Squadron, Georgia's first Air National Guard
5 unit formed in 1941, and the largest Air National Guard unit with 1,100 members; and

6 WHEREAS, the 116th Bomb Wing was recently awarded its 11th Air Force Outstanding
7 Unit Award, an unprecedented accomplishment as no Air Force unit either active or reserve
8 has ever been awarded the distinctive honor 11 times; and

9 WHEREAS, the 116th moved from Dobbins Air Reserve Base to Robins Air Force Base in
10 1995 in the largest move in National Guard history with \$100 million in base improvements,
11 and the wing became only the second unit to fly the supersonic B-1 bomber; and

12 WHEREAS, in October 2002, the unit will be renamed the 116th Air Control Wing and fly
13 the Joint Surveillance Target Attack Radar System (JSTARS); and it will be the largest wing
14 in the Air National Guard and the only Air National Guard wing flying JSTARS; and

15 WHEREAS, elements of the 116th have been activated for Operation NOBLE EAGLE, the
16 nation's current war on terrorism, and the 116th has a superb record of readiness, safety, and
17 successful global missions and reflects high honor on the State of Georgia.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
19 recognize and commend the 116th Bomb Wing of the Georgia Air National Guard and
20 convey to its members and Colonel Tom Lynn congratulations and best wishes.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
22 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Colonel Tom Lynn, Wing Commander.