

House Resolution 381

By: Representatives Buckner of the 95th, Dodson of the 94th, Seay of the 93rd, Barnes of the 97th and Jordan of the 96th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring Major Jerry Neal on the occasion of his retirement; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Jerry Neal, Major of Operations of the Clayton County Fire Department, has
3 served the State of Georgia ably and with great distinction for 34 years; and
- 4 WHEREAS, born in Ellenwood, Georgia, he began his firefighting career with the Clayton
5 County Fire Department in April, 1967, a short number of days after the department was
6 founded; and
- 7 WHEREAS, he joined the Clayton County Fire Department as a firefighter and his
8 outstanding performance earned him the rank of Major of Operations; and
- 9 WHEREAS, one of the highlights of his career was saving a woman and a child from a
10 raging house fire; and
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- 12 WHEREAS, in addition to his duties as Major of Operations, attending almost every single
13 fire scene, day or night, he also served as the department's representative for the Georgia
14 Mutual Aid Group and the Clayton County Explorer Program, and he implemented the
15 program "No Sick Leave Used" for Clayton County, which recognizes all employees who
16 do not use sick leave in a calendar year; and
- 17 WHEREAS, he and his lovely wife, Paula, are faithful members of The Rock Baptist Church
18 and are the proud parents of two daughters and three granddaughters; and
- 19 WHEREAS, Major Neal has served well the citizens of Clayton County and the State of
20 Georgia.
- 21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
22 the members of this body commend Major Jerry Neal for over three decades of efficient,

1 effective, unselfish, and dedicated public service to the citizens of his state; convey to him
2 their heartiest congratulations upon the occasion of his retirement; and extend to him their
3 most sincere best wishes for continued health and happiness.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
5 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Major Jerry Neal.