

House Resolution 603

By: Representatives Twiggs of the 8th and Snow of the 2nd

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Doug Cochran; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Doug Cochran began his career as a radio operator at the Blue Ridge State
3 Patrol Post on August 1, 1978, and he was promoted to trooper on July 1, 1982, with his first
4 assignment being the Gainesville GSP Post which at the time covered a wide area in North
5 Georgia, including Dawson, Lumpkin, Hall, White, and Banks counties; and

6 WHEREAS, he was promoted to the rank of corporal in August of 1993 and was transferred
7 to Forest Park; he returned to North Georgia a short time later as the assistant commander
8 of the Appalachian Drug Task Force, where he served until being transferred to the
9 Cumming GSP Post in March of 1997 as a corporal; and he was later promoted to sergeant
10 and finished out his career at the Blue Ridge Post where he started; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Cochran had a very distinguished career in the Georgia State Patrol, leading
12 Troop B in the Ace Trooper program which ran from 1988 through 1990 and winning the
13 award for the entire state for 1989 and 1990; and

14 WHEREAS, he was assigned to one of the first drug interdiction teams on I-85 in the mid
15 1980s and he returned as one of the two supervisors in 1997; and

16 WHEREAS, this outstanding law enforcement officer earned the respect of friend and foe
17 alike, and many of the very people he sent to jail think highly of him; and

18 WHEREAS, his retirement party will be held on April 27, 2001, in Lumpkin County, where
19 he will close out a fine career.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
21 the members of this body recognize and commend Doug Cochran for his fine career in law
22 enforcement and wish him happiness in retirement.

- 1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 2 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Doug Cochran.