

House Resolution 856

By: Representative Williams of the 128th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Expressing sorrow at the loss of Officer Melvin Earl Collins; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, on April 11, 2003, Officer Melvin Earl Collins of Brunswick, Georgia, lost his
3 life protecting the residents of his community; and
- 4 WHEREAS, this courageous police officer joined the Brunswick Police Department on
5 December 16, 2002, and received his Police Officer Standards Training Certification in 2003;
6 and
- 7 WHEREAS, he was born in Shreveport, Louisiana, on November 2, 1971, graduated from
8 high school in Shreveport, and served in the United States Army for five years including a
9 tour in Korea; and
- 10 WHEREAS, this brave police officer is remembered by his friends and family as a generous
11 and kind man who nevertheless did not hesitate to display the courage, honor, and fortitude
12 necessary to defend his community; and
- 13 WHEREAS, he was a loving and devoted husband to Felicia, a nurturing and protective
14 father of two daughters, Alicia and R'nelle, and a son, brother, and friend whose memory will
15 long be cherished by those who knew him; and
- 16 WHEREAS, it is abundantly proper and fitting that we pay tribute to this fallen hero.
- 17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
18 the members of this body honor the memory of Officer Melvin Earl Collins, express their
19 deep and abiding appreciation of his service and ultimate sacrifice, and convey to his family
20 their sincerest condolences.

- 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 the family of Officer Melvin
- 3 Earl Collins.