

Senate Resolution 545

By: Senator Unterman of the 45th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending, congratulating, and saluting Gwinnett County Fire and Emergency Services
2 and their members; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, on August 28, 2002, Engines 1, 4, and 5, Company and Rescue 11, Engine 23,
4 Ladder 19, Squad 20, Medic 1, Battalions 1 and 4, and Division 1 were dispatched to an
5 apartment fire in Norcross; and

6 WHEREAS, before units were on the scene, smoke could be seen in the distance; and

7 WHEREAS, upon arrival, Engine 1 reported heavy flames showing with one 16 unit
8 apartment building heavily involved and another 16 unit apartment building as an exposure
9 with involvement; and

10 WHEREAS, Engine 2 and Engine 7 were called in due to the volume and intensity of the
11 fire, radiant heat, and flying embers creating exposures to structures outside of the complex;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, thanks to the hard work and discipline of everyone on this scene, there were no
14 lives lost, no injuries, and a tremendous amount of property saved; and

15 WHEREAS, the above-named units were nominated by Gwinnett County Fire and
16 Emergency Services for Unit Citations because of their willingness to perform the job at
17 hand without hesitation and working as a team; and

18 WHEREAS, a Unit Citation will be awarded to an entire unit whose outstanding efforts
19 reflect teamwork, cooperation, and support of the Mission of Gwinnett County Fire and
20 Emergency Services; and

1 WHEREAS, in the award of the Unit Citation, Gwinnett County Fire and Emergency
2 Services recognized: Chris Ambort, Ryan Glover, Danny Rowland, Chuck Barnwell,
3 Mike Gower, Jeff Schnaak, James Bates, Steve Gosa, Joel Schubert, Steve Brown,
4 Dan Hansen, Rocky Shipes, Kevin Buice, Michael Hughes, Thad Smith, Ira Burnette,
5 Jeff Krause, Craig Stanley, Stephen Cahn, Vince Mercardante, Travis Thomason,
6 Philip Clack, John McCloud, Ryan Trott, Billy Clark, Wayne Mooney, Sandy Williams,
7 Tony Cown, David Moore, Ken Wilson, Blair Darst, Mark Nash, Stan Wilson, Charles Dean,
8 Mark O'Connor, Glen Dutton, Derek Perkins, Rob Edler, Mark Peters, Vic Farmer, and
9 Derek Petty.

10 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
11 congratulate these members of Gwinnett County Fire and Emergency Services for the actions
12 that led to their receipt of the Unit Citation.

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
14 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Gwinnett County Fire and Emergency
15 Services.