

House Resolution 219

By: Representatives Barnard of the 166th, Cole of the 125th, Stephens of the 164th, Lane of the 158th, Crawford of the 127th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing District Attorney Investigator Jimmy Jones, Peace Officer of the Year for Valor,
2 commending his outstanding performance, and inviting him to appear before the House of
3 Representatives; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, District Attorney Investigator Jimmy Jones has been chosen Officer of the Year
5 for Valor by the Peace Officers Association of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, on September 18, 2003, a man started swinging a baseball bat inside the
7 crowded Peach County Court House, striking people and causing serious injury to some
8 within the crowd; and

9 WHEREAS, after notifying the sheriff's office and calling for medical assistance,
10 Investigator Jones immediately rushed to the scene and discovered the man standing on the
11 court house lawn with the baseball bat in a threatening position; and

12 WHEREAS, the man ignored his orders to lower the bat and continued to threaten both
13 Investigator Jones and several other officers who had arrived on the scene; and

14 WHEREAS, when the man charged at him with the bat, Investigator Jones, forced to defend
15 himself and others, shot the suspect once and then monitored his condition until medical
16 assistance arrived; and

17 WHEREAS, he unselfishly put his life on the line to protect his fellow law enforcement
18 officers and to ensure the safety of the public, and his quick actions not only prevented
19 further injury but also resulted in the apprehension of the suspect; and

20 WHEREAS, his unflinching resolve and dedicated service exemplify the highest ideals of
21 public service and bring honor to all who valiantly serve in law enforcement.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
2 the members of this body commend District Attorney Investigator Jimmy Jones for having
3 been selected Peace Officer of the Year for Valor by the Peace Officers Association of
4 Georgia.

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that District Attorney Investigator Jimmy Jones is invited
6 to the House of Representatives for purposes of being recognized by the House and receiving
7 an appropriate copy of this resolution at a date and time to be fixed by the Speaker of the
8 House.