A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Trooper First Class David Q. Holland III upon being chosen Peace Officer of
- 2 the Year for Valor; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Trooper First Class David Q. Holland III has been selected Officer of the Year
- 4 for Valor by the Peace Officers Association of Georgia; and
- 5 WHEREAS, in the early morning hours of August 30, 2003, TFC Holland was on regular

6 patrol in Emanuel County when he learned that a suspect was fleeing a sheriff's deputy, and

- 7 TFC Holland joined the pursuit; and
- 8 WHEREAS, TFC Holland took the lead in the pursuit and attempted several times to initiate
- 9 the pursuit intervention technique maneuver to end the pursuit, but the suspect foiled each
- 10 attempt by ramming TFC Holland's vehicle; and
- 11 WHEREAS, TFC Holland maneuvered his unit in front of the suspect in an attempt to slow
- 12 the vehicle and was rammed several times, but ultimately he was able to end the pursuit
- 13 through execution of the pursuit intervention technique maneuver; and
- 14 WHEREAS, after the chase was ended, because the armed suspect threatened TFC Holland
- 15 and Officer Alford, TFC Holland was forced to defend himself and he shot the suspect twice,
- 16 after which he removed the suspect's weapon and monitored his condition until medical
- 17 assistance arrived; and
- 18 WHEREAS, TFC Holland has a distinguished record with the Department of Public Safety19 and has consistently exemplified the highest ideals of public service; and
- WHEREAS, his determination and character have been reflected in his professionalperformance throughout his career with the Department of Public Safety, and his high

- 1 standards of conduct have served as a model for the law enforcement officers and citizens
- 2 of this state.
- 3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 4 commend Trooper First Class David Q. Holland III for having been selected Officer of the
- 5 Year for Valor by the Peace Officers Association of Georgia.
- 6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 7 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Trooper First Class David Q. Holland III.