

## House Resolution 601

By: Representative Holt of the 112<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Operation Sandbox GA, its co-founders, Julie and Virginia  
2 Pearson, and the members of Park Place Baptist Church in Snellville, Georgia; and for other  
3 purposes.

4 WHEREAS, in November, 2004, Julie and Virginia Pearson founded Operation Sandbox  
5 GA, an effort to boost the morale of American troops serving in Iraq and Afghanistan by  
6 sending them letters and care packages; and

7 WHEREAS, Operation Sandbox GA has received an overwhelming response from the  
8 members of Park Place Baptist Church in Snellville, Georgia, as well as other churches and  
9 local organizations and businesses; and

10 WHEREAS, because of the efforts of this generous community, Operation Sandbox GA  
11 collected over 7,000 items for care packages which reached over 2,400 service members in  
12 Iraq and Afghanistan by November 28, 2004, and has also provided support to injured  
13 Marines by sending them get-well cards with heartfelt messages of encouragement and  
14 appreciation; and

15 WHEREAS, the members of this community have joined together to donate items, raise  
16 postage, pack boxes, write letters, and work behind the scenes in order to realize the  
17 important mission of this outstanding and exemplary organization; and

18 WHEREAS, it is highly fitting and proper that this body recognize the hard work and  
19 patriotism of the numerous members and supporters of Operation Sandbox GA.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
21 the members of this body recognize outstanding success of Operation Sandbox GA and  
22 commend Julie and Virginia Pearson and the members of Park Place Baptist Church of

1 Snellville, Georgia, for their inspiring patriotism and their extraordinary contribution to the  
2 comfort and welfare of our troops.

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
4 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to Julie and Virginia Pearson,  
5 co-founders, Operation Sandbox GA and Park Place Baptist Church of Snellville, Georgia.