

Senate Resolution 507

By: Senators Thompson of the 33rd, Seabaugh of the 28th and Meyer von Bremen of the 12th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending GBI forensic artist Marla Lawson for her outstanding service
2 and dedication to Georgia's criminal justice community; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Ms. Lawson's career as a forensic artist began in the mid-1980's with the
4 Atlanta Police Department; and

5 WHEREAS, her talents were enlisted by the Georgia Bureau of Investigation in 1977; and

6 WHEREAS, Ms. Lawson's drawings have been instrumental in the identification and
7 apprehension of hundreds of perpetrators; and

8 WHEREAS, her most famous drawing is of suspected Centennial Park bomber Eric Robert
9 Rudolph; and

10 WHEREAS, Ms. Lawson is always ready to assist when needed and responds to requests on
11 weekends and evenings; and the investigators from across the state whom she assists
12 consistently comment not only on her exceptional talents, but also on her enthusiasm,
13 patience, and dedication; and

14 WHEREAS, Ms. Lawson is not only a tremendous asset to the GBI but to the entire criminal
15 justice community in Georgia; her unparalleled talent has assisted law enforcement officers
16 in taking some of the most violent criminals off of the streets, making Georgia a safer place
17 for its citizens.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
19 join in recognizing and commending Ms. Marla Lawson for her many years of esteemed
20 service to the criminal justice community of the State of Georgia.

- 1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 2 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Ms. Marla Lawson.