

House Resolution 1554

By: Representatives Mumford of the 95th and Reese of the 98th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Vincent Washington for his role in saving the life of Kenny Edwards and
2 inviting him to appear before the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, when a recent crisis struck the Georgia Power General Services Headquarters
4 Repair Shop in Forest Park, Georgia, employee Vincent Washington, along with Matt
5 Dettmering, Jeff Dillard, Arthur Page, and Thomas Sellers, rose to the occasion to valiantly
6 save the life of co-worker Kenny Edwards; and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Edwards was working in a motor test pit when a sudden explosion flung
8 him against a metal beam, knocking him unconscious and stopping his heart; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Page immediately rushed to the aid of the severely burned Mr. Edwards,
10 swiftly extinguishing the fire and cutting off Mr. Edwards's shirt with a pocketknife; and

11 WHEREAS, after finding no pulse, Mr. Sellers and Mr. Dillard cautiously moved Mr.
12 Edwards into a proper position for Mr. Dillard to perform CPR until paramedics arrived; and

13 WHEREAS, using a recently installed defibrillator, Mr. Washington administered shocks to
14 Mr. Edwards and succeeded in reviving his heart; and

15 WHEREAS, with a cool head and a calm determination, Mr. Dettmering called 911 and
16 reported the details of this unfortunate accident and the condition of its victim; and

17 WHEREAS, swiftly and selflessly coming to the aid of a colleague in peril, the life saving
18 actions of these five extraordinary gentlemen are a testament to the power of heroism.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
20 the members of this body join together to commend Vincent Washington for his heroism and
21 thank him for his role in rescuing the life of Kenny Edwards.

- 1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Vincent Washington is invited to the House of
- 2 Representatives for purposes of being recognized by the House and receiving an appropriate
- 3 copy of this resolution at a date and time to be fixed by the Speaker of the House.