

Senate Resolution 794

By: Senator Hawkins of the 49th

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Commending and recognizing Chief Roy Franklin Hooper, Jr.; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Chief Roy Franklin Hooper, Jr., joined the Gainesville Police Department in  
3 January, 1978, as a patrol officer, following in his father's footsteps who retired from the  
4 police department in 1977, with 25 years of service; and

5 WHEREAS, Chief Hooper was born in Gainesville, Georgia and is a life-long resident of  
6 Hall County; and

7 WHEREAS, he is a 1975 graduate of North Hall High School and a 1978 graduate of the  
8 32nd Session of the Northeast Georgia Police Academy; and

9 WHEREAS, Chief Hooper has completed his P.O.S.T. advanced law enforcement training  
10 in supervision and management and is a certified police instructor specializing in firearms;  
11 and

12 WHEREAS, since joining the Gainesville Police Department he has advanced through the  
13 ranks as patrol officer, sergeant, and lieutenant; and

14 WHEREAS, the Gainesville Police Department is recognized as a flagship agency by the  
15 Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA), and Chief Hooper  
16 served as program director of the department's successful CALEA accreditation effort in  
17 1993, and their successful state certification effort in 1997; and

18 WHEREAS, he served as the commander of the criminal investigations and administrative  
19 divisions of the department; and

20 WHEREAS, he was named "Police Rookie of the Year" by the American Legion Post #7 in  
21 1978, the Gainesville Elks Lodge recognized him as "Police Officer of the Year" in 1993,

1 Rotary International's Gainesville Club presented him with the "2007 Lee Arrendale Award"  
2 in 2007, and the Georgia Association of Chiefs of Police presented him with the prestigious  
3 "Police Chief of the Year" award in 2007; and

4 WHEREAS, Chief Hooper is an active member of Montgomery Memorial Baptist Church;  
5 the International and Georgia Associations of Chiefs of Police; past chairman of the Hall  
6 County Multi-Agency Narcotics Control Board; a current board member of the Domestic  
7 Violence Task Force, the Edmondson-Telford Center for Children, the Gainesville  
8 Adolescent Project, the Gateway Shelter for Battered Women, and the Hall County  
9 Commission for Children and Families; and he serves on the Criminal Justice Advisory  
10 Board of the Lanier Technical Institute, the Advisory Board of the Northeast Georgia Police  
11 Academy, and the Georgia Supreme Court Mental Health Study Committee; and

12 WHEREAS, he has been married to the former Teresa Lynn Mote for 32 years and they have  
13 two adult sons.

14 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
15 recognize Chief Roy Franklin Hooper, Jr., and commend him for his exemplary career and  
16 wish him the best for the future.

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
18 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Chief Roy Franklin Hooper, Jr.