

Senate Resolution 795

By: Senator Hawkins of the 49th

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Commending and recognizing Sheriff Steve Cronic; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Sheriff Steve Cronic was elected sheriff of Hall County in November of 2000  
3 and took office on January 1, 2001; and

4 WHEREAS, he entered law enforcement at the age of 20 as an enforcement officer with the  
5 Georgia Department of Transportation, worked as a police officer with the City of  
6 Gainesville Police Department, and as an investigator with the Hall County District  
7 Attorney's office, after which time he entered the private sector as a corporate security  
8 manager and as a regional fraud supervisor; and

9 WHEREAS, since being elected he has accomplished many of his goals, including obtaining  
10 state certification and national accreditation for the department and improving the link  
11 between his office and the community by establishing a camp for young children, a victim  
12 services program, a teen driver program, and a reserve unit for the sheriff's department,  
13 addressing the gang problem, developing a female work release program, creating the Hall  
14 County Sheriff's Office Citizen's Academy, and locating new sources of funding for the  
15 department by partnering with private enterprise; and

16 WHEREAS, Sheriff Cronic was named Sheriff of the Year in 2007; and

17 WHEREAS, Sheriff Cronic serves on a variety of community and public service boards,  
18 including the Edmondson Telford Center for Children and the County and Municipal  
19 Probation Advisory Council, and he established the Multi-Agency Narcotics Squad (MANS),  
20 and the Gainesville-Hall County Gang Task Force; and

21 WHEREAS, Sheriff Cronic's educational background includes a Bachelor's degree in  
22 criminal justice and a Master's degree in Business Administration from Brenau University  
23 in Gainesville, Georgia; and

1 WHEREAS, he is also a graduate of the Georgia Police Academy, the Federal Bureau of  
2 Investigation National Academy, the National College of District Attorneys' Major Crime  
3 School and Special Investigations School, and the International Association of Arson  
4 Investigators Arson School; and

5 WHEREAS, he has been married for 29 years to his wife Kathy, and they have two children,  
6 Melinda and Cody.

7 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
8 recognize Sheriff Steve Cronic and commend him for his exemplary career and wish him the  
9 best for the future.

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
11 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Sheriff Steve Cronic.