

## House Resolution 2115

By: Representatives Loudermilk of the 14<sup>th</sup>, Graves of the 12<sup>th</sup>, and Lewis of the 15<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Rome and Bartow Squadrons of the Civil Air Patrol; and  
2 for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, on March 15, 2008, several devastating storms swept through Bartow County,  
4 which spawned multiple tornadoes, generating winds in excess of 100 miles-per-hour, totally  
5 destroying several homes and damaging hundreds of other homes and businesses; and

6 WHEREAS, in the aftermath of these storms, many families were without food, clothing, and  
7 shelter, and hundreds of citizens were in need of emergency relief supplies; and

8 WHEREAS, the director of the Bartow County Emergency Management Agency requested  
9 the assistance of the local Civil Air Patrol to assist in disaster relief efforts inside the disaster  
10 area; and

11 WHEREAS, in response to the request, members of the Bartow and Rome Squadrons of the  
12 Civil Air Patrol organized a ground team to distribute emergency relief supplies to citizens  
13 affected by the storms; and

14 WHEREAS, the Civil Air Patrol joint disaster relief team conducted multiple sorties into the  
15 disaster area delivering water and emergency repair supplies starting on the afternoon of  
16 March 15, 2008, until the early morning hours of March 16, 2008; and

17 WHEREAS, Civil Air Patrol aircrews also participated by providing aerial surveillance and  
18 aerial photography of the disaster area, providing state and county emergency management  
19 officials with the first views of the storm's path and extent of damage in the disaster area; and

20 WHEREAS, the volunteers of the Civil Air Patrol have consistently provided this state with  
21 emergency and disaster relief services; and

1 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the Rome and Bartow Squadrons of the  
2 Civil Air Patrol be appropriately recognized.

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
4 the members of this body join together to recognize the volunteers of the Bartow and Rome  
5 Squadrons of the Civil Air Patrol, and commend their unselfish contributions to the citizens  
6 of Bartow County and the citizens of the State of Georgia.

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
8 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the volunteers of the Bartow  
9 and Rome Squadrons of the Civil Air Patrol, the public, and the press.