

Senate Resolution 1401

By: Senator Rogers of the 21st

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Mr. Steven P. Edwards, Sr.; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put
3 their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the
4 freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Steven P. Edwards, Sr., has long been recognized by the citizens of this
6 nation for the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment
7 to the welfare of the citizens of the United States; and

8 WHEREAS, in honor of his service with the United States Marine Corps as a guardian of this
9 nation's freedom and liberty during the Vietnam War, Mr. Edwards was recently honored
10 with a Purple Heart medal; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Edwards was wounded in combat with 43 days remaining in his 13 month
12 tour of duty with the Marines during the Vietnam War, suffering severe injuries to his chest,
13 shoulder, left hand, and left leg; and

14 WHEREAS, a native of Canton, Georgia, Mr. Edwards served two years, 11 months, and two
15 days and was honorably discharged in April, 1969; and

16 WHEREAS, after his dedicated service to his country in the military, this Norcross High
17 School graduate moved to Woodstock and worked with the Atlanta Transit Company for two
18 years before again serving his fellow citizens as a letter carrier for the United States Postal
19 Service until his retirement in 2003; and

20 WHEREAS, Mr. Edwards is united in love and marriage to his wife, Brenda, and he has been
21 blessed with two children, Paul and Lindsay, five grandchildren with another on the way, and
22 one great-grandchild; and

23 WHEREAS, Mr. Edwards embodies the spirit of service, willing to find meaning in
24 something greater than himself, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding
25 accomplishments of this remarkable and distinguished American be recognized
26 appropriately.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
28 commend Mr. Steven P. Edwards, Sr., for his efficient, effective, unselfish, and dedicated
29 public service to the citizens of his country and extend to him their most profound
30 appreciation for all members of the United States military who stand ever ready to lay the
31 ultimate sacrifice upon the altar of freedom.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
33 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Steven P. Edwards, Sr.