

## House Resolution 273

By: Representatives Sellier of the 136<sup>th</sup>, Cheokas of the 134<sup>th</sup>, Talton of the 145<sup>th</sup>, Pruett of the 144<sup>th</sup>, and O`Neal of the 146<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Mr. Ed Bowlin for his induction into the Georgia Aviation Hall of Fame; and  
2 for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Ed Bowlin took his first flying lesson at the age of 16, and upon his  
4 graduation from high school, he joined the Tennessee Air National Guard; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Bowlin was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the United States Air  
6 Force and flew a variety of aircraft during his 15 years of service before joining Delta  
7 Airlines; and

8 WHEREAS, since 1956, Mr. Bowlin has performed incredible flight demonstrations in air  
9 shows, flying historic aircraft in order to educate, inspire, and honor others; and

10 WHEREAS, an active member of the Experimental Aircraft Association and its Warbirds  
11 of America division, Mr. Bowlin was instrumental in establishing the Warbirds in Review  
12 program, which reunites prominent aviators with the aircraft they flew; and

13 WHEREAS, currently residing in Griffin, Georgia, with his loving wife and co-pilot Connie,  
14 Mr. Bowlin has written several aviation news articles and worked to improve and highlight  
15 pilot training and safety issues; and

16 WHEREAS, Mr. Bowlin is also dedicated to introducing the joy of flight to future  
17 generations through his dedicated participation in the Young Eagles Program; and

18 WHEREAS, on February 14, 2009, Mr. Bowlin will be formally inducted into the Georgia  
19 Aviation Hall of Fame in a ceremony at the Robins Air Force Base Museum of Aviation; and

20 WHEREAS, Mr. Bowlin is rightfully deserving of admission into the Georgia Aviation Hall  
21 of Fame for his many successes and the example he has set for so many, and it is both fitting  
22 and proper that we recognize this great pilot's contribution to Georgia's aviation history.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
24 this body commends Mr. Ed Bowlin for his induction into the Georgia Aviation Hall of Fame  
25 and looks forward to seeing this outstanding Georgian's achievements recognized and  
26 recorded into Georgia's aviation history and legacy.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
28 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Ed Bowlin.