

House Resolution 974

By: Representative Benton of the 31st

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Mr. Wayne Edward Abbs; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Mr. Wayne Edward Abbs was born on July 15, 1964, in Port Smith, Virginia,
3 a beloved son of William and Mary Jane Bellant Abbs; and
- 4 WHEREAS, after graduating from high school in Carnesville, Georgia, Mr. Abbs enlisted
5 in the United States Army to serve as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty in a
6 special forces battalion of the 82nd Airborne; and
- 7 WHEREAS, after his valiant and courageous service with the military, Mr. Abbs worked in
8 the textile industry and then began his distinguished career in the automotive industry as a
9 salesman; and
- 10 WHEREAS, after years of dedication and demonstrating an impeccable work ethic, Mr.
11 Abbs is now owner of Wayne Neal Chevrolet, Abbs Auto Sales, and Force 911, an
12 emergency responder and police vehicle outfitting business; and
- 13 WHEREAS, his success in the auto sales area has earned him great acclaim and accolades,
14 including service on the Minority Dealer Development Council and on the General Motors
15 Advisory Council, in which he is one of two Native Americans selected to participate from
16 around the country; and
- 17 WHEREAS, after receiving overwhelming support from his community during his battle
18 with leukemia, Mr. Abbs vowed to express his gratitude through service with such local
19 organizations such as Peace Place, Tree House, Tumbling Waters Society, Georgia Police
20 Chiefs Association, Boys and Girls Club of Jackson County, the Georgia Sheriffs
21 Association, the Jefferson City Recreation Department, the Commerce Booster Club, and
22 many other important civic groups; and

23 WHEREAS, Mr. Abbs served as ambassador for the 2007 American Cancer Society Relay
24 for Life of Jackson County and was honored with the Blue and Gold award from the Jackson
25 County Future Farmers of America; and

26 WHEREAS, a resident of Commerce, Mr. Abbs is united in love and marriage to his wife,
27 Heather, and he is the proud father of five remarkable children, Kimberly, Wayne, Chase,
28 Kyle, and Madison; and

29 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
30 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
32 the members of this body commend Mr. Wayne Edward Abbs for his efficient, effective,
33 unselfish, and dedicated service to his community, Jackson County, and the State of Georgia.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
35 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Wayne Edward Abbs.