

House Resolution 1021

By: Representative Hatfield of the 177<sup>th</sup>

#### A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Mr. Joshua Thomas Highsmith; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens  
3 with the untimely passing of Mr. Joshua Thomas Highsmith on September 6, 2008; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Highsmith was born on April 5, 1984, in Minot, North Dakota, a beloved  
5 son of Rusty and Julie Highsmith, brother of Chase Highsmith, and grandson of Thomas and  
6 Anna Gill, the late Marian Louise Hilton Gill, and Lesley and Myrtie Highsmith; and
- 7 WHEREAS, he was an insurance agent for Liberty National Life Insurance, an Eagle Scout,  
8 and a member of Jamestown Baptist Church; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Mr. Highsmith served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty in the  
10 United States Air National Guard Unit 165 Air Operations Support Squadron of Brunswick,  
11 Georgia; and
- 12 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation  
13 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and, by the example he made of his life, he  
14 made this world a better place in which to live; and
- 15 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Mr. Highsmith will long be remembered  
16 for his love of country, family, and friendship, and this loyal son, brother, grandson, and  
17 friend will be missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing him.
- 18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
19 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Mr. Joshua Thomas  
20 Highsmith and express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
22 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. Joshua  
23 Thomas Highsmith.