

Senate Resolution 890

By: Senators Hill of the 4th, Smith of the 52nd and Murphy of the 27th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Lieutenant Mark Hambert; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Mark Hambert is highly regarded by the citizens of his community
3 and state and by local government officials as a person of unquestioned integrity and
4 dedication to the sound principles of law enforcement; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Hambert has been recognized with the Peace Officer of the Year for
6 Valor Award from the Georgia State Patrol for his heroic and life-saving actions; and
- 7 WHEREAS, on October 10, 2008, Lieutenant Hambert demonstrated great courage as he
8 placed his own safety on the line in order to rescue an accident victim and ultimately saved
9 his life; and
- 10 WHEREAS, while Lieutenant Hambert was en route to his post at Charlie Brown Airport,
11 he encountered an accident involving an overturned and burning vehicle on Interstate 75 with
12 people trapped inside; and
- 13 WHEREAS, unable to extinguish the flames, Lieutenant Hambert cut the seatbelt of the
14 semiconscious driver and pulled him from the wreckage to safety; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Hambert's quick thinking and heroic actions allowed the Bartow
16 County Fire and EMS to attend to other passengers in the vehicle and attempt to control the
17 fire; and
- 18 WHEREAS, due to Lieutenant Hambert's courage and bravery on that October day in 2008,
19 a precious life was spared; and

20 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the members of this body show their
21 gratitude for the unique and often unheralded contributions of Lieutenant Hambert and all
22 local law enforcement officers on behalf of the citizens of this state.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
24 commend the care, courage, and selfless dedication exhibited by Lieutenant Mark Hambert
25 in carrying out the difficult duties of his vocation and congratulate him on earning the Peace
26 Officer of the Year for Valor Award from the Peace Officers Association of Georgia.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
28 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Lieutenant Mark Hambert.