

## Senate Resolution 356

By: Senator Mullis of the 53rd

## A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the heroic service of Officer Mike Norris; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Trenton, Georgia, police officer Mike Norris received an American Police Hall  
3 of Fame Lifesaving Award on December 10, 2010, for his heroic actions on September 15,  
4 2010; and

5 WHEREAS, the award stems from what happened when Officer Norris responded to a traffic  
6 accident call that involved a box van rear-ending a much larger tractor-trailer truck on the  
7 I-59 exit ramp, resulting in extensive damage to the box van, which had caught fire; and

8 WHEREAS, the box van's driver, 23-year-old Steven Brown, was trapped inside the burning  
9 vehicle and Officer Norris jumped into the flaming cab with his fire extinguisher; and

10 WHEREAS, Officer Norris then kept the flames in the cab at bay until the Trenton Fire  
11 Department arrived to take over; and

12 WHEREAS, by all accounts, the officer's bravery and quickness to act saved the life of the  
13 badly burned Mr. Brown, who was later cut from the cab and transported by helicopter to  
14 Erlanger Hospital, then on to Vanderbilt Medical Center in Nashville; and

15 WHEREAS, Officer Norris was pleased to get the award but denies he did anything special;  
16 "There was no heroism," he said. "It was just everyday police work."

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
18 honor the heroic acts of Officer Mike Norris and thank him for his service to the people of  
19 Trenton and the State of Georgia.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
21 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Officer Mike Norris.