

House Resolution 531

By: Representative Purcell of the 159th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the City of Port Wentworth's 40th annual Stand up for
2 America Day; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put
4 their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the
5 freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

6 WHEREAS, on April 30, 2011, the City of Port Wentworth will hold its 40th annual Stand
7 up for America Day; and

8 WHEREAS, this amazing event allows the citizens of Port Wentworth to show their support
9 for our troops and demonstrate their love for this nation; and

10 WHEREAS, the first festival for Stand Up for America Day was held in 1971 and established
11 a day to recognize America and, in particular, the American soldier; and

12 WHEREAS, the inaugural event was brought to citizens through the support of Mayor P.B.
13 Edwards, Jr., a decorated World War II veteran who was permanently wounded during the
14 Battle of the Bulge, Port Wentworth Missionary Alliance Church, the Port Wentworth Fire
15 Department, the Port Wentworth Lions Club, and others; and

16 WHEREAS, the citizens of Port Wentworth regard members of the United States military
17 as demonstrating a deep personal commitment to protecting democracy, willing to sacrifice
18 their own personal safety and comfort to ensure the well-being of their fellow man; and

19 WHEREAS, it is important that all current members of the military and veterans are thanked
20 for their selfless service to this nation and honored for their unyielding commitment to
21 protecting the people and ideals of the United States; and

22 WHEREAS, veterans and current members of the United States military embody the spirit
23 of service, willing to find meaning in something greater than themselves, and it is abundantly
24 fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments and sacrifices of these remarkable
25 and distinguished Americans be honored appropriately.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
27 the members of this body express their most profound appreciation for all members of the
28 United States military who stand ever ready to lay the ultimate sacrifice upon the altar of
29 freedom, commend the City of Port Wentworth for its call for remembrance and support of
30 the soldiers who have offered their lives in the name of liberty, and recognize the city's 40th
31 annual Stand Up for America Day.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
33 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to Mayor Glenn Jones and the
34 City of Port Wentworth.