

House Resolution 1101

By: Representatives Holt of the 112th, Welch of the 110th, Dickerson of the 95th, and Davis of the 109th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Covington Fire Chief Don Floyd on the occasion of his
2 retirement; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Covington Fire Chief Don Floyd has long been recognized by the citizens of
4 this state for the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment
5 to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, Chief Floyd has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of
7 his time, talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced
8 dramatically by his superlative service with the Covington Fire Department for nearly 40
9 years; and

10 WHEREAS, the son of Covington's first paid fire chief, Rodney T. Floyd, Chief Floyd spent
11 the first seven years of his life in an apartment over the city's old fire house, and following
12 in his father's footsteps of protecting his neighbors was a natural choice; and

13 WHEREAS, Chief Floyd joined the Covington Fire Department as a suppression firefighter
14 in 1972 after serving four years in the United States Coast Guard and served as fire marshal
15 and assistant fire chief before being appointed chief in 1999; and

16 WHEREAS, under Chief Floyd's leadership, the Covington Fire Department earned the city
17 a fire insurance office rating of three and the department has been internationally accredited
18 by the Center for Public Safety Excellence since 2003; and

19 WHEREAS, over the last four decades, Chief Floyd has led his crew in protecting the
20 property and lives of the citizens of Covington and overseen the expansion of personnel and
21 equipment for the department; and

22 WHEREAS, Chief Floyd has served with honor and distinction during his career as a fire
23 fighter, and his vision and unyielding commitment will be sorely missed upon the occasion
24 of his retirement; and

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

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
28 the members of this body commend Covington Fire Chief Don Floyd for his efficient,
29 effective, unselfish, and dedicated public service to the State of Georgia; congratulate him
30 upon the grand occasion of his retirement; and extend to him their most sincere best wishes
31 for continued health and happiness.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
33 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Covington Fire Chief Don
34 Floyd.