

House Resolution 1591

By: Representatives Purcell of the 159th, Atwood of the 179th, Lane of the 167th, Talton of the 145th, Hanner of the 148th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending School Resource Officer Mark Hopper and inviting him to be recognized by
2 the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, School Resource Officer (SRO) Mark Hopper of the Glynn County Schools
4 Police has been recognized with a Valor Service Award from the Peace Officers' Association
5 of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, SRO Hopper is highly regarded by the citizens of his community and state and
7 by local government officials as a person of unquestioned integrity and dedication to the
8 sound principles of law enforcement; and

9 WHEREAS, SRO Hopper was tactically aware that an angry parent at Brunswick High
10 School retrieved a 9mm pistol from his vehicle before walking up to two other officers in
11 absolute rage and proceed to verbally spew expletives; and

12 WHEREAS, SRO Hopper managed to maneuver around and behind the suspect undetected,
13 and without hesitation he skillfully disarmed him; and

14 WHEREAS, he used his training and experience as well as sheer valor in bringing a peaceful
15 end to the situation; and

16 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of
17 this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
19 the members of this body commend the courageous and selfless dedication of SRO Mark
20 Hopper, congratulate him on receiving the Valor Service Award, and invite him to be
21 recognized by the House of Representatives at a date and time designated by the Speaker of
22 the House of Representatives.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
24 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to School Resource Officer
25 Mark Hopper.