

Senate Resolution 1310

By: Senators Loudermilk of the 52nd, Hill of the 32nd and Heath of the 31st

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Lieutenant Colonel Shirley Arnold; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Shirley Arnold has long been recognized by the citizens of
3 this state for the vital role that she has played in leadership and her deep personal
4 commitment to the welfare of the citizens of the State of Georgia; and

5 WHEREAS, Lt. Col. Arnold has consistently volunteered over 37 years of her services, time,
6 and resources to the Georgia Wing of the Civil Air Patrol, which serves as an intricate
7 component of our national defense by conducting missions in homeland security, counter
8 drug, disaster relief, and search and rescue; and

9 WHEREAS, the Civil Air Patrol, an organization of volunteers who assist the United States
10 military in national defense by performing aerial coastal patrols and emergency services
11 within the continental United States, was founded on December 1, 1941; and

12 WHEREAS, the Georgia Wing of the Civil Air Patrol consists of over 2,000 volunteer
13 members in 45 squadrons and four groups located throughout Georgia; and

14 WHEREAS, Lt. Col. Arnold has served in numerous positions within the Georgia Wing,
15 including ten years of service as the Georgia Wing Administrator where she has tirelessly
16 aided all of the members of the Georgia Wing through her faithful service and adherence to
17 the Civil Air Patrol motto, "semper vigilans," which means always vigilant; and

18 WHEREAS, the innumerable accomplishments and contributions Lt. Col. Arnold has made
19 in the Georgia Wing of the Civil Air Patrol include providing assistance, training, and
20 support to 12 Georgia Wing commanders and chartering the Dobbins Cadet Squadron, which
21 continues to serve its local community today as the Cobb Composite Squadron; and

22 WHEREAS, she has received numerous honors, including a Master rating in various Civil
23 Air Patrol specialty tracks and the distinguished Gil Rob Wilson Award, the highest senior
24 honor; and

25 WHEREAS, Lt. Col. Arnold is united in love and marriage to Lee, and is blessed with two
26 remarkable sons, George and Jeff, a wonderful daughter-in-law, Elizabeth, and two adored
27 grandchildren, Matthew and Meagan, all of whom have served as valuable volunteer
28 members of the Civil Air Patrol; and

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

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
32 commend Lieutenant Colonel Shirley Arnold for her efficient, effective, unselfish, and
33 dedicated public service to the Civil Air Patrol and the citizens of this state and nation.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
35 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Lieutenant Colonel Shirley Arnold.