

Senate Resolution 23EX

By: Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Hamrick of the 30th, Hill of the 4th, Bethel of the 54th, Loudermilk of the 52nd and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and honoring First Lieutenant Bobby Woods, a true American hero; and for
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Bobby Woods is a North Georgia native and obtained double degrees in
4 psychology and criminal justice from the University of Georgia where he was a member of
5 the UGA ROTC and the Mu Chapter of the Sigma Nu Fraternity; and

6 WHEREAS, after graduation, he chose to serve his country, joining the United States Army
7 and becoming an Airborne Ranger, the toughest and finest the military has to offer; and

8 WHEREAS, on August 7, 2010, he was on patrol outside of Kandahar, Afghanistan, when
9 his platoon was suddenly ambushed; Lieutenant Woods was shot in the head above his eye
10 by a sniper, and the bullet shattered his bone and lodged in his temple; and

11 WHEREAS, while under enemy fire, Lieutenant Woods used his own bandage to wrap his
12 head, and he miraculously led the rest of the platoon as they defeated the ambush; and

13 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Woods conducted a medevac to evacuate the wounded after the
14 combat; however, instead of leaving with the wounded, the brave Lieutenant led the rest of
15 the platoon back to base before seeking medical attention for himself; and

16 WHEREAS, he was flown to Walter Reed Army Medical Center for treatment and has
17 undergone at least four surgeries, and while his medical prognosis remains good, he will
18 continue to heal under "The Wounded Warrior Project" which, miraculously, his father,
19 Retired Army Brigadier General Robert Woods, helped to create; and

20 WHEREAS, his amazing feat of heroism has rightfully earned Lieutenant Woods the
21 nickname "Man of Steel," and the fortitude, bravery, and courage exhibited by this officer
22 was recognized with the Purple Heart; and

23 WHEREAS, his selflessness stands in keeping with the greatest traditions of military
24 heroism, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
25 remarkable and distinguished American be recognized appropriately.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
27 commend Lieutenant Bobby Woods for his efficient, effective, unselfish, and dedicated
28 public service to the citizens of his country and state and extend to him our most profound
29 and sincere appreciation for all members of the United States military who stand ever ready
30 to lay the ultimate sacrifice upon the altar of freedom.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
32 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Lieutenant Bobby Woods.