

House Resolution 153

By: Representatives Powell of the 32nd, Ralston of the 7th, O`Neal of the 146th, Atwood of the 179th, Taylor of the 173rd, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring and commending the firefighters of Georgia and recognizing February 5, 2013, as
2 the 41st annual Firefighters Appreciation Day at the capitol; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, in the State of Georgia, there are over 30,000 firefighters who provide the very
4 critical service of fire fighting in more than 900 local fire departments; and

5 WHEREAS, the goals of each of these outstanding members of the fire service include fire
6 prevention, fire suppression, and, above all, saving lives; and

7 WHEREAS, the heroic firefighters of Georgia have dedicated themselves to the protection
8 of life and property from the beginning of their training at the Georgia Fire Academy through
9 their cooperation with the state fire marshal in the investigation of fires and their causes; and

10 WHEREAS, the firefighters of Georgia have continuously supported efforts to elevate the
11 standards and training of firefighters and have been instrumental in increasing the public's
12 awareness of methods of fire prevention and suppression; and

13 WHEREAS, in rendering essential public services professionally and selflessly, this state's
14 firefighters help to assure a safer society and enhance the citizenry's sense of security; and

15 WHEREAS, in placing the well-being of society above their personal concerns and, in many
16 instances, risking their lives for the sake of others, this state's firefighters exemplify the
17 highest nobility and greatest commitment to their community and humanity; and

18 WHEREAS, it is most fitting and proper that the firefighters of Georgia be recognized for
19 their effective and dedicated service to the people of the State of Georgia.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
21 the members of this body commend each and every firefighter for his or her outstanding

22 service to the people of this state and for going above and beyond the call of duty for their
23 fellow man, and recognize February 5, 2013, as Firefighters Appreciation Day at the state
24 capitol.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
26 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the Georgia Association of
27 Fire Chiefs and the Georgia State Firefighters Association.