

House Resolution 390

By: Representatives Rogers of the 10th, Hawkins of the 27th, and Allison of the 8th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the White County Color and Honor Guard and inviting its members to be
2 recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the White County Color and Honor guard was formed in 1998 and is currently
4 made up of 25 White County residents, including Charlie Thomas, Jr., president; Glen
5 Abernathy, vice president; Jeremy Bruce, secretary-treasurer; Mike Allen; Craig Carlan; Tom
6 Dyer; Randy Ellis; Freddie Furry; Dave Fortner; Roy Garner; Claude Gilleland; Bobby
7 Harkins; LaVerne Holeman; Dickie Howard; Stuart Stovall; J. C. Sutton; Ernest Thomas;
8 James Thomas; Richard Thomas; William Thomas; N. U. Turpen; Tony Vandiver; Stanley
9 Williams; Larry Clark; and Bob Bardenwerper; and

10 WHEREAS, the White County Color and Honor Guard has members representing service
11 in every branch of the United States military and is authorized by the Veteran Service Corps
12 to provide military funerals in the State of Georgia—the first Honor Guard in the State of
13 Georgia to receive the certification by completing the training at Dobbins Air Force Base in
14 Marietta; and

15 WHEREAS, the White County Color and Honor Guard honors the fallen by presenting
16 colors and participating in approximately 65 funerals for Armed Forces veterans in White
17 County and the surrounding area each year, thereby providing much due recognition of the
18 veteran's service to the United States of America and comfort to the grieving family and
19 friends; and

20 WHEREAS, the White County Color and Honor Guard participates in numerous church
21 services, educational programs at local schools, parades, historical events, award ceremonies,
22 and military remembrances each year in order to display their support of American troops,
23 teach flag etiquette, and encourage patriotism; and

24 WHEREAS, the White County Color and Honor Guard meets monthly to practice drills and
25 trains with active-duty personnel at Robins Air Force Base on a regular basis; and

26 WHEREAS, the White County Color and Honor Guard is an nonprofit organization that has
27 dedicated thousands of volunteer hours to recognizing the contributions of the United States
28 military to the freedoms which we as American citizens enjoy as a result of their service and
29 sacrifice.

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
31 the members of this body commend the White County Color and Honor Guard's
32 contributions through their education and service to White County, extend to the Honor
33 Guard their deepest appreciation, and invite its members to be recognized by the House of
34 Representatives at a date and time designated by the Speaker of the House of
35 Representatives.

36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
37 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the White County Color and
38 Honor Guard.