

House Resolution 564

By: Representatives Hitchens of the 161st, Powell of the 32nd, Tanner of the 9th, Lumsden of the 12th, Talton of the 147th, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Deputy Jason Michael Ross; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Deputy Jason Michael Ross of the Coweta County Sheriff's Department has
3 been recognized with a Valor Service Award from the Peace Officers Association of
4 Georgia; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Deputy Ross is highly regarded by the citizens of his community and state and
6 by local government officials as a person of unquestioned integrity and dedication to the
7 sound principles of law enforcement; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Deputy Ross responded with swiftness and bravery when he arrived on the
9 scene of an accident where a head-on collision caused the driver of an SUV to be trapped
10 inside her vehicle as flames began to engulf the passenger compartment; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Deputy Ross took action upon seeing the state of the entrapped driver and
12 immediately began using his portable fire extinguisher to suppress the flames that penetrated
13 the cabin area; and
- 14 WHEREAS, after he exhausted his fire extinguisher, Deputy Ross ran to the passenger side
15 of the vehicle and proceeded to enter the cabin to free the driver, all the while speaking to
16 her in calm, reassuring tones even as he sustained burns on his face and arms; and
- 17 WHEREAS, with the help of a passerby, Deputy Ross was able to free the driver and save
18 her life; and
- 19 WHEREAS, when the fire department arrived on the scene, they were impressed to note
20 Deputy Ross's calm demeanor and his insistence that the pedestrian who aided him in saving
21 the driver be recognized for his selfless heroism; and

22 WHEREAS, Deputy Jason Michael Ross demonstrated exemplary courage, leadership, and
23 humility in putting the needs of another individual whose life was in jeopardy above his own
24 and it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of this
25 distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
27 the members of this body commend the courageous and selfless dedication of Deputy Jason
28 Michael Ross and recognize him for receiving the Valor Service Award from the Peace
29 Officers Association of Georgia.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
31 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Deputy Jason Michael
32 Ross.