

Senate Resolution 771

By: Senators Ligon, Jr. of the 3rd, Miller of the 49th, Bethel of the 54th, Carter of the 1st and Tolleson of the 20th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Conservation Ranger First Class David Brady with the
2 Georgia Department of Natural Resources Law Enforcement Division for dedicated service
3 to the citizens of Georgia; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, on June 18, 2013, a recreational boat with a father and son on a fishing trip
5 overturned in Manhead Sound near St. Simons Island, and low tide made it difficult to reach
6 the boat, which had landed in the marsh; and

7 WHEREAS, the father was injured and pinned face down between the boat and the marsh
8 with an incoming tide and fuel flowing onto him; and

9 WHEREAS, at 4:30 P.M., Ranger First Class David Brady and Sergeant Christopher Hodge
10 responded by boat to this life-threatening scene to assist United States Coast Guard Officers;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, realizing the victim would be underwater in minutes, RFC Brady began to dig
13 mud from around the traumatized victim's face and talk to him as he was going into shock,
14 while the others attached a line to the boat. As the boat lifted slightly, RFC Brady was able
15 to pull the victim from under the boat. He and Sergeant Christopher Hodge lifted the victim
16 into the patrol boat where he was transported to an awaiting ambulance at a nearby boat
17 ramp; and

18 WHEREAS, using exceptional skill maneuvering the boat, and acting quickly, they were able
19 to rescue the victim.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
21 hereby commend Ranger First Class David Brady for his heroic efforts to rescue this
22 individual in eminent danger of drowning.

- 23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
24 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Ranger First Class David Brady.