

House Resolution 1266

By: Representative Barr of the 103rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the Georgia State Defense Force and inviting John S. Derucki, Melanie Dallas,
2 Anthony Rollins, Raymond Slocumb, Jr., and Rodney D. Akers to be recognized by the
3 House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, the Georgia State Defense Force's mission is to provide an organized, trained,
5 disciplined, and rapid response uniformed force; and

6 WHEREAS, volunteers respond to needs and emergency situations as defined by the
7 Adjutant General or the Governor, and assist local authorities where such missions do not
8 conflict; and

9 WHEREAS, the Georgia State Defense Force performs a variety of missions for the National
10 Guard, including family support, legal assistance, medical support, and technical assistance
11 in a variety of areas including communications, emergency support teams, and other
12 specialized areas; and

13 WHEREAS, these missions include evacuation and control during natural disasters,
14 perimeter safety and medical assistance to major public festivals, and maintaining liaisons
15 with a variety of local emergency, law enforcement, and homeland security agencies; and

16 WHEREAS, the Georgia State Defense Force is an all-volunteer force, and volunteers are
17 responsible for purchasing and supplying their own equipment for use in defense of the great
18 State of Georgia; these volunteers include John S. Derucki, Melanie Dallas, Anthony Rollins,
19 Raymond Slocumb, Jr., and Rodney D. Akers; and

20 WHEREAS, SFC John S. Derucki, currently assigned to the IET/MEPS NCOIC, Alpha Co.,
21 57th Schools and Training BN, 76th Brigade, has received the following decorations: 2012
22 Enlisted Member of the Year, 2012 Noncommissioned Officer of the Year Commendation

23 Medal Achievement Ribbon with oak leaf, Military Qualification Training Ribbon, 2nd State
24 Active Duty Service Ribbon, Emergency Service School Ribbon, Volunteer Service Ribbon
25 with oak leaf, Good Conduct Ribbon Longevity Service Ribbon, Military Indoctrination
26 Ribbon, Outstanding Unit Citation with Frame SAR II Tab, CERT Tab, Master Rappel
27 Instructor Basic Instructor Badge, Master Mission Badge, and Basic MEMS Badge CPL/E-4;
28 and

29 WHEREAS, Melanie Dallas has received the following decorations: Unit Indoctrination
30 Ribbon, SGAUS Member, Emergency Services Ribbon, SGAUS Ribbon, CERT Tab, IET
31 Leadership Award, IET Academic Award, and SARSPEC III Certified; and

32 WHEREAS, SSG Anthony Rollins has received training in the following: GSDF Basic
33 Instructor Course, Soldier Leadership Course, Commandant's List, Graduate SARSPEC II,
34 and Combat Lifesaver, and IET/SAR III; and

35 WHEREAS, SSG Raymond Slocumb, Jr., has received the following decorations: CERT
36 TAB, Emergency Service Ribbon, Member of Funeral Honor Guard, Basic MEMS Badge,
37 State Active Duty Ribbon, Certificate of Achievement from FEMA Senior Mission Badge,
38 Military Qualification Ribbon, Member of SGAUS Basic Instructor's Badge, Achievement
39 Ribbon with Palm, Certificate of Achievement from the 94th Airlift Wing Military
40 Indoctrination Ribbon, SGAUS Ribbon, Certificate of Achievement from Longevity Service
41 Ribbon, SARSPEC III Certified Good Conduct Ribbon, and Military Readiness Ribbon; and

42 WHEREAS, SSG Rodney D. Akers has received the following decorations: IET SLC and
43 Letter of Commendation Volunteer Service Award.

44 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
45 the members of this body commend the Georgia State Defense Force and these individuals
46 for their many accomplishments and contributions to their communities, state, and country
47 and invite them to be recognized by the House of Representatives at a date and time to be
48 determined by the Speaker of the House.

49 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
50 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to John S. Derucki, Melanie
51 Dallas, Anthony Rollins, Raymond Slocumb, Jr., and Rodney D. Akers.