

Senate Resolution 976

By: Senator Tolleson of the 20th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Houston County Bar Association; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, the Houston County Bar Association is an unincorporated professional
3 association comprised of lawyers and members of the judiciary; and

4 WHEREAS, the purposes of the association are to exert a positive influence among the
5 members of the legal profession in Houston County, to deliver legal services to the
6 community, to promote the administration of justice, to elevate the standards of integrity,
7 honor, and courtesy in the legal profession, and to cultivate a spirit of collegiality among
8 members; and

9 WHEREAS, members are actively involved in civic causes, including the Georgia Legal
10 Food Frenzy and an annual Christmas toy drive to help economically challenged families;
11 in 2013, member and solo-practitioner Walter G. "Bo" Sammons, Jr., won the Attorney
12 General's cup in the Georgia Legal Food Frenzy, raising an impressive 9,218 pounds of food;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, members also sponsor events in their communities, including an annual
15 celebration of Law Day to commemorate the rule of law, the judiciary, and its place in
16 American society by awarding six scholarships to high school seniors, which are funded
17 completely by member donations; and

18 WHEREAS, the Houston County Bar Association was chosen as the 2012-2013 recipient of
19 the Law Day Award for local and voluntary bar associations with 51-100 members; the
20 award is bestowed annually by the State Bar of Georgia to local and voluntary bars that
21 provide noteworthy Law Day activities; and

22 WHEREAS, members exemplify service and professionalism recognized by their peers; in
23 January, 2014, member William John Camp was honored with the Marshall-Tuttle Award,

24 presented by the State Bar of Georgia in recognition of his legal expertise in working with
25 military service members and veterans, for his unwavering support of the Bar's Military
26 Legal Assistance Program, and for his extraordinary legal services on Georgia legislation
27 involving the military; and

28 WHEREAS, members of the Houston County Bar Association demonstrate the highest
29 standards of integrity, honor, and courtesy in the legal profession and in their service to the
30 community, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that they be recognized.

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
32 recognize and commend the Houston County Bar Association for its many contributions to
33 the community and the State of Georgia.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
35 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Houston County Bar Association.