

## House Resolution 1844

By: Representative Powell of the 32<sup>nd</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Cecil Reno; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Cecil Reno, a native of Franklin County, was the longest serving police chief  
3 in Georgia at the time of his retirement; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Reno received his associate's degree from Emmanuel College, his  
5 bachelor's degree from Piedmont College, and his master's degree in public administration  
6 from Colombus State University; and
- 7 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United  
8 States Armed Forces, valiantly and courageously protecting his fellow Americans during the  
9 Vietnam War as a member of the Military Police, receiving two Bronze Stars; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Mr. Reno has been involved in law enforcement for 41 years, receiving training  
11 at the Northeast Georgia Police Academy Law Enforcement Training Center; and
- 12 WHEREAS, he served for 35 years as the chief of police for the City of Hartwell and is a  
13 lifetime member of the Georgia Association of Chiefs of Police; and
- 14 WHEREAS, an active member of his community, Mr. Reno always displays compassion for  
15 others, most notably with his involvement with foster care children; and
- 16 WHEREAS, he is also known to pay utility bills for those who are unable to do so and stated  
17 the Backpack Program and Bikes for Kids Program for the children of his community; and
- 18 WHEREAS, he has been united in love and marriage to Sheila for more than 40 years and  
19 is blessed with four remarkable children, Jennifer, Pete, Nicole, and Jessica, and four  
20 wonderful grandchildren, Emily, Britanny, Hyla, and Cain; and

21 WHEREAS, Mr. Reno is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable  
22 reputation for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and

23 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this  
24 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
26 the members of this body recognize and commend Cecil Reno for his dedication and  
27 commitment to his community and to the State of Georgia and express to him their most  
28 sincere best wishes for continued success and happiness.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
30 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Cecil Reno.