

House Resolution 206

By: Representatives Taylor of the 79th, Wilkinson of the 52nd, Yates of the 73rd, Caldwell of the 20th, Beskin of the 54th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing January 24, 2015, as the 50th anniversary of the death of Sir Winston Churchill
2 and honoring his memory in the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia honors one of the world's greatest leaders on the occasion
4 of the 50th anniversary of his passing; and

5 WHEREAS, Sir Winston Churchill made incredible contributions on the world stage in
6 multiple spheres, including his incredible wartime leadership and his contributions to the
7 literary arts, which have changed the course of human history for the better; and

8 WHEREAS, Sir Winston Churchill delivered memorable speeches on Georgia Tech's Grant
9 Field and in Atlanta's Wesley Memorial Chapel in 1932, accompanied by his daughter,
10 Diana; and

11 WHEREAS, he visited Savannah, Georgia, and received training in gunnery from a member
12 of Georgia's Callaway family; and

13 WHEREAS, Sir Winston Churchill's descendants have continued to reside in and contribute
14 to the advancement and cultural flowering of the State of Georgia; and

15 WHEREAS, Mary Churchill, the youngest daughter of Sir Winston Churchill, paid an
16 inspirational visit to the Women's Army Corps during her 1944 tour of Fort Oglethorpe, and
17 Mrs. Sarah Beauchamp *née* Churchill, Sir Winston Churchill's elder daughter, performed in
18 *The Philadelphia Story* at the Penthouse Theatre in Atlanta, Georgia, and was subsequently
19 married on Sea Island, Georgia; and

20 WHEREAS, Ms. Edwina Sandys, Sir Winston Churchill's granddaughter, will sculpt a
21 monumental work of art for installation in Atlanta's historic Mims Park, which will
22 commemorate peace and celebrate *The Art of Diplomacy: Winston Churchill and the Pursuit*

23 *of Painting*, which will be the largest exhibition of Sir Winston Churchill's paintings since
24 the 1958 Smithsonian exposition organized by President Dwight Eisenhower, and on which
25 Mr. Duncan Sandys, grandson of Sir Winston Churchill, has collaborated extensively with
26 Atlanta's Millennium Gate Museum, the host institution; and

27 WHEREAS, Sir Winston Churchill was a leader, artist, and writer of major world
28 significance, and his relationship with the State of Georgia was a great benefit to the state;
29 and

30 WHEREAS, Georgia recognized and celebrated Sir Winston Churchill's honorary citizenship
31 in April, 1963, making it abundantly fitting and proper that his substantial contribution to this
32 state and to the United States of America be appropriately recognized on the occasion of the
33 50th anniversary of his death.

34 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
35 the members of this body honor Sir Winston Churchill for his immeasurable contributions
36 to the State of Georgia and to the United States and recognize January 24, 2015, as the 50th
37 anniversary of his death.

38 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
39 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
40 family of Sir Winston Churchill.