

## House Resolution 772

By: Representatives Atwood of the 179<sup>th</sup>, Wilkinson of the 52<sup>nd</sup>, Jones of the 167<sup>th</sup>, and Spencer of the 180<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing Coastal Georgia Honor Flight and commending Georgia's World War II and  
2 Korean War veterans; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the security of the United States relies on patriotic men and women who put  
4 their personal lives on hold and place themselves in harm's way to protect the freedoms on  
5 which this country was founded and that all United States citizens cherish; and

6 WHEREAS, members of the United States military have long been recognized around the  
7 world for their superior tactical skills, their strength of character, their passion for patriotism,  
8 and their ability to complete any objective; and

9 WHEREAS, the citizens of this nation regard veterans of World War II and the Korean War  
10 as having demonstrated a deep personal commitment to protecting democracy and recognize  
11 their willingness to sacrifice their own personal safety and comfort to ensure the well-being  
12 of citizens and communities across the globe; and

13 WHEREAS, the Greatest Generation served as guardians of the world's freedom and liberty,  
14 and they deserve great recognition for their selfless service to this nation and should be  
15 honored for their unyielding commitment to protecting the people and ideals of the United  
16 States; and

17 WHEREAS, through the organization Honor Flight, World War II and Korean War veterans  
18 have an opportunity to take a free day trip to Washington, D.C., to visit the World War II,  
19 Korean War, and other military service memorials; and

20 WHEREAS, Honor Flight is a national organization which was founded in Springfield, Ohio,  
21 by Earle Morse in 2005 and has expanded over the past decade to allow hundreds of  
22 thousands of World War II and Korean War veterans to experience their memorials; and

23 WHEREAS, Coastal Georgia Honor Flight is a hub of the national program and organized  
24 by volunteers in Glynn, Camden, and McIntosh counties to pay tribute to World War II and  
25 Korean War veterans in those communities; and

26 WHEREAS, on May 2, 2015, this amazing organization is providing World War II and  
27 Korean War veterans a chance to visit their memorials in Washington, D.C., giving  
28 participants the unique opportunity both to pay their respects to their fellow soldiers and to  
29 receive the time of reflection and celebration that they so richly deserve; and

30 WHEREAS, Georgia's veterans of World War II and the Korean War embody the spirit of  
31 service with a willingness to find meaning in something greater than themselves, and it is  
32 abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments and sacrifices of these  
33 remarkable and distinguished Americans be honored appropriately.

34 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
35 the members of this body recognize Coastal Georgia Honor Flight and express their most  
36 profound appreciation for Georgia's World War II and Korean War veterans of the United  
37 States military, who stood ever ready to make the ultimate sacrifice upon the altar of  
38 freedom.

39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
40 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the  
41 courageous men and women who will travel on the May 2, 2015, Coastal Georgia Honor  
42 Flight.