

Senate Resolution 1118

By: Senator Shafer of the 48th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Captain William M. Edge, Jr., on the occasion of his
2 retirement; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Captain William M. Edge, Jr., served over 30 years in the Navy Reserve as an
4 enlisted member and a commissioned officer before retiring on December 1, 2015; and

5 WHEREAS, in December 1995, he reported for active duty to United States European
6 Command to Stuttgart, Germany, in support of Operation Joint Endeavor; and

7 WHEREAS, he was deployed in 2002 for Operation Enduring Freedom to Manama, Bahrain,
8 in 2007 for Operation Iraqi Freedom, and in 2012, to Afghanistan, his fourth mobilization
9 to active duty; and

10 WHEREAS, in his last duty assignment, he was the Commanding Officer of the Navy
11 Reserve Defense Media Activity Unit at Fort Meade, Maryland, a 33 member reserve unit
12 that provides technical and production support to the Defense Media Activity, the
13 Department of Defense's direct line of communication for news and information to United
14 States Forces worldwide; and

15 WHEREAS, in his reserve assignments, Captain Edge has served as Director of the United
16 States Navy Central Command and United States Fifth Fleet Reserve Public Affairs Unit in
17 Quincy, Massachusetts; Executive Officer of United States Fleet Forces Command Public
18 Affairs Reserve Unit in Norfolk, Virginia; and Director of United States Navy Europe and
19 United States Sixth Fleet Public Affairs Unit in Marietta, Georgia; and

20 WHEREAS, Captain Edge's military awards include the Legion of Merit, two Defense
21 Meritorious Service Medals, three Navy Commendation Medals, the Joint Service
22 Achievement Medal, three Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medals, the Afghanistan

23 Campaign Medal, the Iraq Campaign Medal, and various other service and campaign medals;
24 and

25 WHEREAS, Captain William M. Edge, Jr. has served with honor and distinction with the
26 United States Navy, and his vision and unyielding commitment will be sorely missed upon
27 the occasion of his retirement; and

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

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
31 recognize and commend Captain William M. Edge, Jr., for his unselfish and dedicated public
32 service to his community, the State of Georgia, and this nation, and congratulate him upon
33 the grand occasion of his retirement.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
35 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Captain William
36 M. Edge, Jr.