

Senate Resolution 234

By: Senators Anderson of the 43rd, Davenport of the 44th, Jones II of the 22nd, Harbison of the 15th, Seay of the 34th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Jil Hinds for her outstanding service with the American armed forces and
2 recognizing February 21, 2017, as Female Veteran's Day at the state capitol; and for other
3 purposes.

4 WHEREAS, women served in the United States Military as early as the Revolutionary War
5 and since then, women of all ages, ranks, and levels of authority have entered every branch
6 of service, made significant contributions, and suffered the same sacrifices as men; and

7 WHEREAS, Jil Hinds joined the Coalition to Salute America's Heroes as its director of
8 Veteran Services in March, 2013, providing advocacy and creating awareness of veterans
9 issues throughout the Southeast; and

10 WHEREAS, prior to joining the Coalition, Jil had a vast and diverse experience with the
11 military. Sworn in on her eighteenth birthday, she enlisted as a combat medic in the United
12 States Army National Guard, 1986-1990; and

13 WHEREAS, while serving the military community of Caserma Ederle in Vicenza, Italy, as
14 an AFN volunteer producing radio spots, marketing coordinator for ITR/MWR, and Art
15 Center Director, Jil gained a passion for assisting soldiers and their family members. She
16 created an award-winning art program in support of the rehabilitation of combat wounded
17 veterans; and

18 WHEREAS, from 2010 to 2013, Jil served soldiers and their families as a family readiness
19 support assistant for 479th Field Artillery Brigade, 1st Army Division West, Fort Hood,
20 Texas; and

21 WHEREAS, Jil Hinds is a graduate of California State University Northridge where she
22 earned a bachelor's of arts degree in radio, TV, and film. She later graduated from American
23 Intercontinental University in Los Angeles, California, with her MBA. Residing in Fairburn,

24 Georgia, Jil is the proud wife of a 22-year retired Army veteran and mother of a 23 year-old
25 graduate student and six-year-old son. She is also an active member of Alpha Kappa Alpha
26 Sorority, Inc., Phi Pi Omega Chapter; and

27 WHEREAS, we owe a debt of gratitude to our veterans and wish to express our appreciation
28 to all of our veterans for their selfless service to this state and the United States.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
30 commend Jil Hinds for her service to the United States armed forces, who risk their lives in
31 the defense of freedom and to secure the blessings of liberty for this nation, and recognize
32 February 21, 2017, as Female Veteran's Day at the state capitol.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
34 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Jil Hinds.