

Senate Resolution 226

By: Senators Gooch of the 51st, Ginn of the 47th, Payne of the 54th, Robertson of the 29th, Walker III of the 20th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Jim Sheppard and congratulating him upon being named 2018 Coroner of the
2 Year; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Lumpkin County Coroner Jim Sheppard was recently named 2018 Coroner of
4 the Year, an award given annually by the Georgia Coroners Association; and

5 WHEREAS, Jim has served as Coroner of Lumpkin County for three years, and he has
6 worked tirelessly to transform the office of coroner into an efficient asset to the community;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, he previously served as a DeKalb County law enforcement officer for more than
9 28 years, has held multiple supervisory positions in the DeKalb County Police Department,
10 and earned the DeKalb County Exceptional Medal for risking his life to save another officer;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, before entering the police force, Jim served as a guardian of this nation's
13 freedom and liberty with the United States Coast Guard, valiantly and courageously
14 protecting his fellow Americans, intercepting international narcotics traffickers throughout
15 the Atlantic Ocean; and

16 WHEREAS, Jim Sheppard is a dedicated and hard-working public servant who ensures that
17 his cases are treated with reverence and dignity, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that
18 he receive the honor of this body.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
20 commend Jim Sheppard and congratulate him upon being named 2018 Coroner of the Year.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
22 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Jim Sheppard.