

House Resolution 1769

By: Representatives Jones of the 167th, Ralston of the 7th, Wilkinson of the 52nd, Williams of the 119th, and Spencer of the 180th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing Representative Alex Atwood; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Representative Alex Atwood has honorably and faithfully represented the
3 constituents of House District 179 for six years, previously served as Deputy Magistrate
4 Judge for Glynn County, and currently serves as senior partner at the AtwoodChoate Law
5 Firm on St. Simons Island; and

6 WHEREAS, Representative Atwood graduated from Douglas County High School, where
7 he was an outstanding linebacker and guard for Douglas County High School's football team
8 before attending college and earning a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice, a master's
9 degree in International Relations, and a Juris Doctorate, cum laude, while holding a job and
10 going to law school at night; and

11 WHEREAS, he served for seven years as a patrol officer and detective with the Atlanta
12 Police Department, where he conducted narcotics and organized crime investigations; and

13 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
14 States Marine Corps Reserve for more than 34 years, valiantly and courageously protecting
15 his fellow Americans and retiring as a Colonel in the United States Marine Corps Reserve;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, during his service, he was named Honor Man of his platoon and received the
18 Junior Officer of the Year Award; and

19 WHEREAS, Representative Atwood has also served in law enforcement and criminal
20 investigations positions with the Defense Department, United States Customs Service,
21 Environmental Protection Agency, and Department of Homeland Security, Federal Law
22 Enforcement Center, where he led all legal training for approximately 90 separate federal law
23 enforcement partner organizations; and

24 WHEREAS, the beloved son of Louise and James Alexander Atwood, Sr., he is united in
25 love and marriage to his wife, Cynthia, and is blessed with three remarkable children, James
26 III, Melonie, and Cameron, and three wonderful grandchildren, Luke, James IV, and Stella.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
28 the members of this body recognize Representative Alex Atwood for his outstanding
29 accomplishments and dedicated service to the United States and the State of Georgia and
30 wish him continued health and happiness.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
32 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
33 Representative Alex Atwood.