

## House Resolution 438

By: Representatives Wilensky of the 79<sup>th</sup>, Wilson of the 80<sup>th</sup>, Hopson of the 153<sup>rd</sup>, Kausche of the 50<sup>th</sup>, Holcomb of the 81<sup>st</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Officer Ethan Taffar; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Officer Ethan Taffar has served with honor and distinction as an officer of the  
3 Dunwoody Police Department since December 19, 2016; and
- 4 WHEREAS, on a December evening in 2018, Officer Taffar responded to a medical call in  
5 Dunwoody. Officer Taffar and several other officers were dispatched to a medical call at a  
6 residence in Dunwoody; and
- 7 WHEREAS, upon arrival, the officers found a male on the ground, not breathing and  
8 unconscious. A quick assessment of the patient determined he needed CPR. One officer  
9 immediately began chest compressions while another officer applied an AED. The AED  
10 advised "No Shock," so the two officers began taking turns with chest compressions, during  
11 which time the patient's friend notified the officers that he had just "shot up heroin." Upon  
12 this discovery, an injection of NARCAN was administered by the Sergeant on scene; and
- 13 WHEREAS, moments later, DeKalb Fire and EMS arrived on scene and took over care of  
14 the patient. Officers continued to assist medical personnel with CPR after their arrival; and
- 15 WHEREAS, the patient was able to be revived and left for St. Joseph's Hospital alert,  
16 conscious, and breathing; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Officer Taffar's story has inspired the entire community of Dunwoody; and
- 18 WHEREAS, his inspiring commitment to the welfare of others is an outstanding example of  
19 the positive effect law enforcement professionals have on the lives and well-being of others;  
20 and

21 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that gratitude is expressed for the unique and  
22 often unheralded contributions of local law enforcement professionals on behalf of the  
23 citizens of this state.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
25 the members of this body commend the care, courage, sympathy, and selfless dedication  
26 exhibited by Officer Ethan Taffar and express their utmost appreciation for having so purely  
27 and truly defined for others the meaning of public servant.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
29 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to  
30 Officer Ethan Taffar.