

House Resolution 781

By: Representatives Collins of the 71st, Hitchens of the 161st, Efstration of the 104th, Crowe of the 118th, and Vance of the 133rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Dunwoody Police Chief William J. "Billy" Grogan as
2 Georgia's 2023-2024 Outstanding Police Chief of the Year; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Dunwoody Police Chief Billy Grogan is highly regarded by the citizens of his
4 community and state and by local government officials as a person of unquestioned integrity,
5 humility, and dedication to the sound principles of law enforcement; and

6 WHEREAS, he began his career in 1981 with the Marietta Police Department, where he rose
7 through the ranks to deputy chief in 1990. In 2008, Grogan was appointed as the police chief
8 of the newly formed City of Dunwoody; and

9 WHEREAS, Chief Grogan earned a Bachelor of Arts in political science and a Master of
10 Public Administration from Kennesaw State University; and

11 WHEREAS, Chief Grogan has graduated from many advanced law enforcement leadership
12 programs, including the FBI National Academy, the Georgia Law Enforcement Command
13 College, the Georgia International Law Enforcement Exchange (GILEE) program, and the
14 Senior Management Institute for Police at the Police Executive Research Forum (PERF); and

15 WHEREAS, he has served as chief of police for the City of Dunwoody Police Department,
16 a revered full-service law enforcement agency, for the last 15 years; and

17 WHEREAS, Chief Grogan has served on numerous boards and advisory committees,
18 including the Peace Officers Standards and Training Council, I Care Atlanta, Special
19 Olympics, and Convoy of Care; and

20 WHEREAS, Chief Grogan has been united in love and marriage to his wife, Wanda, for
21 more than 43 years, and they have been blessed with two wonderful children as well as one
22 outstanding grandchild; and

23 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the members of this body show their
24 gratitude for the unique and often unheralded contributions of Chief Billy Grogan and all
25 local law enforcement officers on behalf of the citizens of this state.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
27 the members of this body commend the care, courage, and selfless dedication exhibited by
28 Dunwoody Police Chief William J. "Billy" Grogan in carrying out the difficult duties of his
29 vocation and congratulate him upon his recognition as Georgia's 2023-2024 Outstanding
30 Police Chief of the Year.

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 Dunwoody Police Chief William J. "Billy" Grogan.