

House Resolution 820

By: Representatives Taylor of the 173rd, Cannon of the 172nd, and Greene of the 154th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Chief John Letteney on his outstanding public service in law
2 enforcement; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Chief John Letteney has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for
4 the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the
5 welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, he is an honest and dedicated public servant who strives for excellence in all
7 of his endeavors and whose primary concern is the welfare and safety of the citizens of
8 Thomasville, Georgia; and

9 WHEREAS, he is highly regarded by the citizens of his community and by state and local
10 government officials as a man of unquestioned integrity and dedication to the administration
11 of justice and sound principles of law enforcement and currently serves as President of the
12 International Association of Chiefs of Police; and

13 WHEREAS, this spirited law enforcement professional has exhibited extraordinary devotion
14 to duty, outstanding loyalty, fine leadership, and meticulous attention to detail in all of his
15 duties; and

16 WHEREAS, efficient and effective commitment to excellence has been recognized by his
17 peers through the many decorations and awards he has received, including being named a
18 member of the President's Commission on Law Enforcement and the Administration of
19 Justice, Working Group on Respect for Law Enforcement and the Rule of Law, in 2020; the
20 Governor's Crime Commission in 2020; and the North Carolina Task Force on Racial Equity
21 in Criminal Justice in 2020, as well as being the recipient of the CALEA Assessor
22 Recognition for 25 years of service in 2020, National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)
23 award for Outstanding Law Enforcement Executive of the Year in 2013, the National
24 Command and Staff College Magnus Gladio Leadership Award in 2019, and the Special
25 Olympics Chief of the Year in 2017 and Special Olympics Blue Flame of Hope Award in
26 2020; and

27 WHEREAS, his inspiring commitment to the welfare of others is an outstanding example of
28 the positive effect law enforcement professionals have on the lives and well-being of others;
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31 WHEREAS, he is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for
32 integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and

33 WHEREAS, Chief Letteney has served with honor and distinction with the Thomasville
34 Police Department and his vision and unyielding commitment to law enforcement will be
35 sorely missed upon the occasion of his retirement; and

36 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
37 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

38 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
39 the members of this body recognize and commend Chief John Letteney for his efficient,
40 effective, unselfish, and dedicated public service to the State of Georgia; congratulate him
41 upon the grand occasion of his retirement; and extend the most sincere best wishes for
42 continued health and happiness.

43 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
44 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Chief
45 John Letteney.