

## House Resolution 895

By: Representatives Wilkerson of the 38<sup>th</sup>, Powell of the 33<sup>rd</sup>, Smith of the 41<sup>st</sup>, Collins of the 71<sup>st</sup>, and Crowe of the 118<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Gotcha Covered Blankets program; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Gotcha Covered Blankets was started in memory of Officer Mitchell Georgiana  
4 to honor his wish to place blankets in patrol cars; and

5 WHEREAS, this fine organization received its 501c(3) approval in August of 2022 and  
6 hosted its first fundraiser in 2022 after Officer Mitchell Georgiana's death on November 16,  
7 2021; and

8 WHEREAS, Gotcha Covered Blankets had placed blankets in the cities of Smyrna and  
9 Powder Springs and all five precincts in Cobb County by December of 2022 and has now  
10 placed blankets in all city precincts in Cobb including the sheriff's department; and

11 WHEREAS, outside of Cobb County, it has placed blankets in Hiram and Dunwoody and  
12 the Jasper County Sheriff's Department and is looking to work with more departments while  
13 still replenishing the supply as needed to departments already receiving blankets; and

14 WHEREAS, it has sent blankets to eight countries in the last two years including India,  
15 Pakistan, Malawi, Kenya, Jamaica, Barbados, Israel and, most recently, Nicaragua; and

16 WHEREAS, Gotcha Covered Blankets is pleased to have retired peer support commander  
17 Captain Chris Michael from Cobb County on its board and proud to maintain the Mitchell  
18 Georgiana Memorial Scholarship at Chattahoochee Technical College; and

19 WHEREAS, Gotcha Covered Blankets always wants to place blankets in patrol cars and be  
20 a voice to help bring about peer support and resiliency training to officers.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
22 the members of this body recognize and commend Gotcha Covered Blankets for its  
23 contributions to the community, the State of Georgia, and the world.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
25 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to  
26 Gotcha Covered Blankets.