

House Resolution 966

By: Representatives Gravley of the 67th, Gullett of the 19th, Momtahan of the 17th, Alexander of the 66th, Smith of the 18th, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Paulding Public Safety Appreciation; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, this outstanding organization has had a tremendous impact on its community
3 through its spirit of service and desire to improve the quality of life in the Paulding County
4 area; and
- 5 WHEREAS, this remarkable civic organization has established a glowing reputation of
6 renown throughout Georgia for its dedication and high ideals; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Paulding Public Safety Appreciation, locally known as PPSA, was founded in
8 2008 with the mission to provide support and assistance to the members of public safety
9 organizations who live or work in Paulding County during times of need; and
- 10 WHEREAS, the board is represented by an agency board and a citizen board, both made up
11 of volunteers; and
- 12 WHEREAS, the agency board members are Ashley Henson of the Paulding Sheriff's Office;
13 Joey Pelfrey and Brandon Newsome of Paulding Fire; Matthew Rollins of the Paulding
14 District Attorney's Office; Christina Kelly and Taylor Cantrell of Paulding E-911; Aileen

15 Culberson of Paulding Animal Control; Forrest Lane of the Georgia Department of
16 Community Supervision; Karen Robinson of Metro-Atlanta Ambulance; Joseph Figura of
17 the Dallas Police; and Josh Lonergan of the Hiram Police; and

18 WHEREAS, the citizen board is made up of ten community leaders who serve two-year
19 terms and includes Linda Verscharen, Roger Leggett, Tommy Leonard, Cathy Helms, Lacy
20 Dunn, Carrie Horner, Matt Mason, Raymond Phillips, and Robert Owens; and

21 WHEREAS, Micah Gravley and Joseph Gullett are both president emeriti who serve on the
22 board in an ex-officio capacity; and

23 WHEREAS, the organization has an annual Run with the Badges 5K event fundraiser that
24 has raised over \$300,000 since the organization's inception; and

25 WHEREAS, Paulding Public Safety Appreciation has been dedicated to providing
26 unparalleled service and support and remains steadfastly committed to the principles of skill,
27 integrity, and responsibility; and

28 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
29 extraordinary organization be appropriately recognized.

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
31 the members of this body commend Paulding Public Safety Appreciation for providing
32 support to the men and women who ensure our safety every day.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
34 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
35 Paulding Public Safety Appreciation.