

Senate Resolution 569

By: Senators Miller of the 49th, Wilkinson of the 50th, Walker III of the 20th, Anderson of the 24th, Tippins of the 37th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring and commending the life of Arnold Melvin Wright and his outstanding
2 contributions as a husband, a father, a United States Army soldier, and a Sheet Metal
3 Journeyman; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens
5 with the passing of Arnold Melvin Wright on March 15, 2017; and

6 WHEREAS, Arnold Melvin Wright was born in Sand Mountain, Alabama, on September 1,
7 1925; and

8 WHEREAS, he was known as "Wright" by friends and family alike; and

9 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
10 States Army, valiantly and courageously protecting his fellow Americans during World
11 War II from June 21, 1944 to April 12, 1946; and

12 WHEREAS, Wright was shot during military service, suffered severe frostbite, and was sent
13 to France for recovery; and

14 WHEREAS, he was awarded the distinguished Purple Heart in 1946; and

15 WHEREAS, in 1952, he married the love of his life, Martha Ann Wright; and

16 WHEREAS, their 64 years of marriage brought many wonderful moments for them to share;
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18 WHEREAS, he was blessed with seven remarkable children, 11 wonderful grandchildren,
19 and 11 outstanding great-grandchildren; and

20 WHEREAS, he built a career and provided for his family as a Sheet Metal Journeyman; and

21 WHEREAS, his outstanding service led him to be a dedicated member of Local Union 85
22 for 60 years; and

23 WHEREAS, a strong and generous man, Wright raised his family in the Atlanta area and
24 lived out his remaining years in Flowery Branch, Georgia; and

25 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern
26 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his
27 family and friends were admired by others; and

28 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Wright will long be remembered for his
29 love of family and friendship and will be missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing
30 him.

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
32 join in honoring and commending the life of Arnold Melvin Wright and his distinguished
33 military service, his lifelong career, and his unwavering love for his family.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
35 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Martha Ann
36 Wright and the family of Arnold Melvin Wright.