

## Senate Resolution 609

By: Senators Rhett of the 33rd, Tippins of the 37th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Albers of the 56th and Thompson of the 14th

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Colonel Michael H. Boyce; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens  
3 with the passing of Colonel Michael H. Boyce on January 25, 2022; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Colonel Michael H. Boyce was born on September 1, 1949, in Brawley,  
5 California, a beloved son of Milledge and Rosario Rita Boyce; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United  
7 States Marine Corps, valiantly and courageously protecting his fellow Americans for 30  
8 years and retiring at the rank of colonel; and
- 9 WHEREAS, upon his military retirement, Col. Boyce became a government and military  
10 contractor before running to become the chairman of the Cobb County Board of  
11 Commissioners in 2016; and
- 12 WHEREAS, during his four years as chairman of the Cobb County Board of Commissioners,  
13 Col. Boyce garnered a reputation as a true public servant, putting the needs of those he  
14 served above anything else; and

15 WHEREAS, dedicated to bringing his community together, Col. Boyce was known to handle  
16 controversies with grace and diplomacy, insisting on holding multiple town halls and  
17 meeting residents face-to-face when tough issues arose; and

18 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to his wife, Judy, and was blessed with three  
19 remarkable children, Alison, Kevin, and Sean, as well as five wonderful grandchildren,  
20 Jacob, Ethan, Averyhart, Penelope, and Charlotte; and

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

24 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation  
25 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example he made of his life, he  
26 made this world a better place in which to live; and

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

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
31 join in honoring the life and memory of Colonel Michael H. Boyce and express their deepest  
32 and most sincere regret at his passing.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
34 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the family of  
35 Colonel Michael H. Boyce.