

House Resolution 1181

By: Representatives Corbett of the 174th, Hitchens of the 161st, Carson of the 46th, Blackmon of the 146th, Clark of the 147th, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Kings Bay Naval Submarine Base; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Kings Bay Naval Submarine Base is the state-of-the-art home to the Atlantic
3 Fleet's Trident II Submarines and borders the historic town of St. Marys, Georgia; and
- 4 WHEREAS, as an integral part of our nation's strategic deterrence program, Kings Bay has
5 attained and sustained award-winning results unsurpassed by Navy Region Southeast or other
6 submarine and shore commands in the United States Navy; and
- 7 WHEREAS, the Kings Bay Naval Submarine Base has had a \$0.8 billion impact on the
8 economy and has created 23,000 total jobs, with 9,000 jobs on base and 13,600 jobs off base;
9 and
- 10 WHEREAS, Kings Bay is home to half of all the nuclear ballistic submarines in America,
11 with eight powered Ohio-class submarines being stationed there, six of which carry nuclear
12 warheads and two of which carry conventional missiles; and
- 13 WHEREAS, in May, 1979, the United States Navy selected Kings Bay as its preferred east
14 coast site for the new Ohio-class Trident submarines, and after a one-year environmental
15 impact study was completed and with congressional approval, the Secretary of the Navy
16 announced that Kings Bay would serve as the future home port for the new Trident-missile
17 submarines in the Atlantic Ocean; and
- 18 WHEREAS, on January 15, 1989, the first Trident submarine, *Tennessee*, arrived at Kings
19 Bay followed by *Pennsylvania* later that year, *West Virginia* in October, 1990, *Kentucky* in
20 July, 1991, *Maryland* in June, 1992, *Nebraska* in July, 1993, *Rhode Island* in July, 1994,
21 *Maine* in August, 1995, *Wyoming* in July, 1996, and *Louisiana* in September, 1997, giving
22 Kings Bay its maximum number of ten Trident submarines; and

23 WHEREAS, the decision to base the Trident submarines at Kings Bay marked the beginning
24 of the largest peacetime construction program ever undertaken by the United States Navy,
25 and the building project included the construction of three Major Commands; and

26 WHEREAS, the Major Commands at Kings Bay include Submarine Group 10, which is the
27 senior commander, Submarine Squadron 16, Submarine Squadron 20, the Naval Submarine
28 Support Center, the Strategic Weapons Facility Atlantic, the Marine Corps Security Force
29 Battalion, the United States Coast Guard Maritime Force Protection Unit, the Trident Refit
30 Facility, and the Trident Training Facility; and

31 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding contributions of Kings
32 Bay Naval Submarine Base be appropriately recognized.

33 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
34 the members of this body recognize and commend Kings Bay Naval Submarine Base.

35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
36 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to Kings
37 Bay Naval Submarine Base.