

House Resolution 1278

By: Representatives Williams of the 168th, Stephens of the 164th, Hitchens of the 161st, Holcomb of the 81st, and Hugley of the 136th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Dr. Roger Lotson, the 2017 National Youth Challenge
2 Director of the Year; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Dr. Roger Lotson is a highly praised and hard-working director at the Fort
4 Stewart Youth Challenge Academy and tirelessly directs an extraordinary amount of time
5 and talent toward aiding youths to obtain discipline, education, and skills necessary to
6 become successful productive citizens; and

7 WHEREAS, he is a graduate of McIntosh County Academy in Darien, Georgia, and joined
8 the United States Navy after graduation; and

9 WHEREAS, following 22 years of service as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty
10 with the Navy, valiantly and courageously protecting his fellow Americans, Dr. Lotson
11 retired as a naval officer and immediately went to work for the Georgia National Guard
12 Youth Challenge Academy; and

13 WHEREAS, Dr. Lotson earned several graduate degrees, including a Master's in Education
14 and Public Administration and a doctorate in Management; and

15 WHEREAS, in his years of services as the director at the Youth Challenge Academy, Dr.
16 Lotson has tirelessly and enthusiastically devoted himself to the betterment of Georgia's
17 youth; and

18 WHEREAS, he is the co-author, with his lovely wife Charlene Lotson, of two parenting
19 books based on their experience with thousands of young people and their parents; and

20 WHEREAS, in recognition of such remarkable contributions to the Fort Stewart Youth
21 Challenge Academy, it is abundantly fitting and proper for this body to honor the
22 extraordinary accomplishments and achievements of this outstanding citizen.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
24 the members of this body recognize and commend Dr. Roger Lotson for being selected as
25 the 2017 National Youth Challenge Director of the Year and for his many achievements and
26 outstanding representation of the State of Georgia.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
28 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
29 Dr. Roger Lotson.