

House Resolution 1514

By: Representatives Price of the 48th, Jones of the 47th, Martin of the 49th, and Willard of the 51st

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and congratulating the Roswell Recreation, Parks, Historic & Cultural Affairs
2 Department and the Roswell Recreation Commission; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the City of Roswell has a superb Recreation and Parks Department that
4 enhances the lives of the residents of Roswell; and

5 WHEREAS, the Roswell Recreation, Parks, Historic & Cultural Affairs Department owns
6 and maintains more than 900 acres of parkland and manages 22 parks as well as the city's
7 Southern Trilogy Historic Homes Museums; and

8 WHEREAS, the department offers and coordinates hundreds of programs, classes, special
9 events, and camps and strives to meet the leisure needs of the citizens of Roswell by
10 providing quality comprehensive recreational opportunities and quality parks and facilities;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, the department has won several awards for its commitment to adaptive needs
13 programming and offers scholarship opportunities so that all residents can participate in its
14 activities; and

15 WHEREAS, the Roswell Recreation Commission, created by O.C.G.A. § 36-64-5, provides
16 remarkable vision and support to the activities of the department; and

17 WHEREAS, the City of Roswell has undergone extensive review by the National Recreation
18 and Park Association (NRPA) over a period of seven years and was and has been a finalist
19 many times for the NRPA Gold Medal Award for Excellence in Park and Recreation
20 Management; and

21 WHEREAS, the Gold Medal Award honors those departments that have displayed the
22 highest quality in standards and exemplary programs by the implementation of long-range

23 planning, resource management, volunteerism, environmental stewardship, program
24 development, professional development, and agency recognition; and

25 WHEREAS, the City of Roswell is the first city in the State of Georgia to be awarded the
26 NRPA Gold Medal Award for Excellence in Park and Recreation Management; and

27 WHEREAS, Roswell was presented the award in the Class 3 category at the NRPA National
28 conference on September 26, 2017, in New Orleans.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
30 the members of this body recognize and congratulate the Roswell Recreation, Parks, Historic
31 & Cultural Affairs Department and the Roswell Recreation Commission on receiving the
32 NPRA Gold Medal Award.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
34 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
35 Roswell Recreation, Parks, Historic & Cultural Affairs Department and the Roswell
36 Recreation Commission.