

House Resolution 33

By: Representatives Stephens of the 164th, Welch of the 110th, Petrea of the 166th, Hitchens of the 161st, Gordon of the 163rd, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Officer Anthony Christie; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest citizens and most dedicated law
3 enforcement officers with the tragic passing of Officer Anthony Christie, who lost his life
4 in the line of duty on May 25, 2018; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Officer Christie served with honor and distinction with the Savannah Police
6 Department for two years, being sworn in on May 19, 2016; and
- 7 WHEREAS, he was an honest and dedicated public servant whose primary concern was the
8 welfare and safety of the citizens of Savannah; he was well-respected by his fellow officers
9 and by the citizens he served, striving for excellence in all of his endeavors; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Officer Christie's efficient and effective commitment to excellence was
11 recognized by his peers when he received a Team Work Award for his team's role in the
12 search and rescue of a missing child who had been abandoned in a forest by a robbery
13 suspect in 2016; and
- 14 WHEREAS, born on August 29, 1980, he joined the United States Navy after high school
15 and then proudly served for 13 years as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with
16 the United States Navy, attaining the rank of Master-at-Arms Second Class in the 4th Fleet;
17 he continued his service as a reservist after joining the Savannah police force; and
- 18 WHEREAS, a decorated war veteran, Officer Christie was awarded the Navy Good Conduct
19 Medal, the Global War on Terror Service Medal, the Navy Achievement Medal, and the
20 Global War on Terror Expeditionary Medal; and
- 21 WHEREAS, at the time of his death, he had been married to his wife, Nicole, for 15 years;
22 and

23 WHEREAS, he was highly regarded by the citizens of his community and state and by local
24 government officials as a person of unquestioned integrity who was dedicated to the
25 administration of justice and sound principles of law enforcement; and

26 WHEREAS, Officer Christie will long be remembered for his inspiring commitment to the
27 welfare of others, which stands as a shining example of the positive effect law enforcement
28 professionals have on the lives and well-being of others.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
30 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Officer Anthony Christie
31 and express their most sincere condolences at his passing.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
33 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
34 family of Officer Anthony Christie.