

House Resolution 905

By: Representatives Blackmon of the 146th, Clark of the 147th, Mathis of the 144th, Dickey of the 140th, and Williams of the 148th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending and congratulating Sheriff Cullen Talton; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Sheriff Cullen Talton has served with honor and distinction as sheriff of
3 Houston County since 1973; and
- 4 WHEREAS, an exceptional member of the Houston County Sheriff's Office and the Georgia
5 Sheriff's Association, Sheriff Talton has been nominated as the Georgia Sheriffs'
6 Association's 2018–2019 Sheriff of the Year; and
- 7 WHEREAS, this prestigious award is presented to those who have served as an elected
8 sheriff for at least four years, acted as a community leader who engages in activities that
9 improve the overall welfare of the public, and demonstrated active support of local and
10 statewide crime control operations; and
- 11 WHEREAS, he is an honest and dedicated public servant who strives for excellence in all
12 of his endeavors and whose primary concern is the welfare and safety of the citizens of
13 Houston County; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Sheriff Talton is highly regarded by the citizens of his community and by state
15 and local government officials as a man of unquestioned integrity and dedication to the
16 administration of justice and sound principles of law enforcement; and
- 17 WHEREAS, this spirited law enforcement professional has exhibited extraordinary devotion
18 to duty, outstanding loyalty, fine leadership, and meticulous attention to detail in all of his
19 duties; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Sheriff Talton's efficient and effective commitment to excellence has been
21 recognized by his peers through the many decorations and awards he has received, including
22 the Warner Robins/Houston County Chamber of Commerce Good Government Service

23 Award, the Liberty Bell Award, and the Georgia Sheriffs' Association's 1988–1989 Sheriff
24 of the Year Award; and

25 WHEREAS, his inspiring commitment to the welfare of others is an outstanding example of
26 the positive effect law enforcement professionals have on the lives and well-being of others;
27 and

28 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that gratitude is expressed for the unique and
29 often unheralded contributions of local law enforcement professionals on behalf of the
30 citizens of this state.

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
32 the members of this body commend the care, courage, sympathy, and selfless dedication
33 exhibited by Sheriff Cullen Talton in carrying out the difficult duties of his vocation;
34 congratulate him on his nomination as the Georgia Sheriff's Association's 2018–2019 Sheriff
35 of the Year; and express their utmost appreciation for having so purely and truly defined for
36 others the meaning of public servant.

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
38 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
39 Sheriff Cullen Talton.