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House Resolution 921

By: Representatives Ralston of the 7th, Stephens of the 164th, Parrish of the 158th, and Harden of the 148th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Richard Allen on the occasion of his retirement; and for other
- 2 purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Richard Allen has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the vital
- 4 role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the
- 5 citizens of Georgia; and
- 6 WHEREAS, since receiving his pharmacy degree from the University of Georgia School of
- 7 Pharmacy, Rick has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,
- 8 talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced by his
- 9 superlative service with the GA Drugs and Narcotics Agency (GDNA), the FBI and U.S.
- 10 Justice Department, the Dignitary Protection Group of the 1996 Olympic Games in Atlanta,
- 11 the International Narcotic Enforcement Officers Association, and the UGA College of
- 12 Pharmacy Alumni Association; and
- WHEREAS, he worked diligently to get a prescription drug monitoring program (PDMP)
- 14 established, working as a contributing architect of the PDMP bill that was passed into law
- in 201 and became operational in 2013; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Rick's significant organizational and leadership talents, his remarkable patience
- 17 and diplomacy, his keen sense of vision, and his sensitivity to the needs of the citizens of this
- state have earned him the respect and admiration of his colleagues and associates; and
- 19 WHEREAS, he is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for
- 20 integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and
- 21 WHEREAS, Rick has served with honor and distinction with the GA Drugs and Narcotics
- 22 Agency, and his vision and unyielding commitment to the GDNA and the State of Georgia
- 23 will be sorely missed upon the occasion of his retirement; and

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24 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this

- 25 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.
- 26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 27 the members of this body recognize and commend Richard Allen for his efficient, effective,
- 28 unselfish, and dedicated public service to the State of Georgia, congratulate him upon the
- 29 grand occasion of his retirement, and extend sincere best wishes for his continued health and
- 30 happiness.
- 31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 32 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
- 33 Richard Allen.