

Senate Resolution 1263

By: Senator Harper of the 7th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Trooper First Class Brian Screws; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Trooper First Class Brian Screws has been nominated for the International
3 Association of Chiefs of Police and Motorola Trooper of the Year Award and was selected
4 as the Trooper of the Year for the Southeastern Region; and

5 WHEREAS, receiving the Department of Public Safety Award for Valor as well as the
6 Governor's Public Safety Award for Heroism in December of 2015, TFC Screws' dedication
7 to duty is impeccable; and

8 WHEREAS, he personifies the department's core values of trust, fortitude, compassion, and
9 professionalism and his dedication to his team, as well as the safety of the people in the area
10 in which he serves, is a testament to his leadership; and

11 WHEREAS, a shining example for others to follow, TFC Screws' actions during a pursuit
12 in the summer of 2015 were instrumental in the capture of a dangerous felon that put many
13 law enforcement officers' lives in danger and resulted in the death of Montgomery County
14 Sheriff Ladson O' Conner; and

15 WHEREAS, getting close enough with the violator's vehicle to make contact in an attempt
16 to disable the vehicle, he repeatedly placed his own life in danger while pursuing a suspect
17 who was actively shooting at him; and

18 WHEREAS, overheard on video instructing the other officers to take cover while he
19 conducted a felony stop, TFC Screws displayed extraordinary grace under pressure, skill, and
20 talent, taking control of a situation that could have fared much worse; and

21 WHEREAS, TFC Screws displayed a high level of courage and fortitude by placing himself
22 in a very volatile and dangerous situation while protecting his fellow officers; and

23 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the selfless, courageous, and valiant acts
24 of this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
26 recognize Trooper First Class Brian Screws for his exemplary actions, commend his
27 dedication to his department, and congratulate him for being Trooper of the Year for the
28 Southeastern Region and on receiving the nomination for the Trooper of the Year Award.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
30 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Trooper First
31 Class Brian Screws.