

Senate Resolution 497

By: Senators Albers of the 56th, Payne of the 54th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Beach of the 21st, Parent of the 42nd and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Rear Admiral Casey W. Coane, U.S. Navy (Ret.); and for
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Rear Admiral Casey W. Coane was born and raised in Redondo Beach,
4 California, and attended the University of California, Berkeley, where he graduated as an
5 ensign in the ROTC program; and

6 WHEREAS, he reported to flight training in the fall of 1968 and his 34 year military career
7 consisted of 11 years of active duty and 23 years of reserve duty; and

8 WHEREAS, although his military accomplishments are too numerous to name in their
9 entirety, some of the highlights include: five commanding officer assignments including
10 command of Patrol Squadron Nine Four in New Orleans, Louisiana, and Reserve Readiness
11 Command Southeast where he was responsible for 6,000 reservists in 17 reserve centers
12 across four states and Puerto Rico; three years as the Deputy Commander U.S. Sixth Fleet
13 aboard the USS LaSalle, where he personally conducted official visits to Romania and, twice,
14 to Bulgaria where he negotiated bilateral exercises; and his final position as the Deputy
15 Commander for the Naval Network Warfare Command/Naval Space Command in Little

16 Creek, Virginia, where he also served as the Director for the Naval Reserve Space and
17 Network Warfare Program, after which he retired from the military on October 1, 2002; and

18 WHEREAS, in civilian life, he worked for 32 years as a pilot for Eastern Air Lines and Delta
19 Air Lines where he retired as a Captain on the MD-88 aircraft. While at Delta, he served as
20 Program Manager for all Pilot Human Factors programs and was responsible for training
21 program development and execution and most recently served as a trained facilitator for the
22 company's New Captain leadership seminar. He retired from Delta in 2005; and

23 WHEREAS, in the community, he serves on the board of Veterans Moving Forward, a
24 foundation which supplies highly trained assistance dogs to veterans with PTSD and as a
25 member of Mission Readiness, a group of more than 700 retired admirals and generals who
26 work to educate the public and Congress about the need for increasing both the physical
27 fitness and academic education of America's youth in which capacity he has been a keynote
28 speaker at events across the country and conducted a number of meetings with Senators and
29 Representatives at the United States Capitol; and

30 WHEREAS, he is married to the former Judith Ann Osborn of Torrance, California, who is
31 a retired national board certified high school English teacher, with whom he has two adult
32 children, a son Brian and a daughter Kathryn Lee, and four grandchildren, Maxwell,
33 Cameron, Wyatt, and Avery; and

34 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
35 remarkable and distinguished American be appropriately recognized.

36 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
37 recognize and commend Rear Admiral Casey W. Coane, U.S. Navy (Ret.) and thank him for
38 his effective, unselfish, and dedicated public service to the State of Georgia and this nation.

39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
40 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Rear Admiral
41 Casey W. Coane.