

Senate Resolution 857

By: Senators Kennedy of the 18th, Jones of the 25th, Walker III of the 20th, Rhett of the 33rd, Beach of the 21st and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Macon Judicial Circuit's Veterans Treatment Court; and
2 for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Macon Judicial Circuit's Veterans Treatment Court was established through a
4 collaboration between Judge Tillman Self, III, Lee Robinson from the Public Defender's
5 Office, and District Attorney David Cooke to help those who have served this country and
6 have fallen on difficult times; and

7 WHEREAS, the first participant entered the Macon Judicial Circuit's Veterans Treatment
8 Court on April 24, 2014, and the court now has 17 active participants, with more than three
9 people approaching graduation; and

10 WHEREAS, the court assists veterans by helping them recognize which benefits they qualify
11 for and by providing substance abuse, domestic violence, and post-traumatic stress disorder
12 treatments; and

13 WHEREAS, participants are drug tested several times a week and attend classes that focus
14 on substance abuse treatment and changing criminal thinking; and

15 WHEREAS, veterans are integral to the functioning and continued success of this country
16 and deserve every aid we can give them.

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
18 recognize and commend the Macon Judicial Circuit's Veterans Treatment Court for their
19 honorable work and wish them continued success.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
21 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the Macon Judicial
22 Circuit's Veterans Treatment Court.