

Senate Resolution 1648

By: Senator Smith of the 52nd

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing Honor Flight of Northwest Georgia and commending Georgia's World War II
2 veterans; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put
4 their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the
5 freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

6 WHEREAS, members of the United States military have long been recognized around the
7 world for their superior tactical skills, their strength of physique and character, and their
8 ability to complete any objective; and

9 WHEREAS, the citizens of this nation regard veterans of World War II as having
10 demonstrated a deep personal commitment to protecting democracy and willingness to
11 sacrifice their own personal safety and comfort to ensure the well-being of their fellow man;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, the Greatest Generation served as guardians of the world's freedom and liberty,
14 deserve great recognition for their selfless service to this nation, and should be honored for
15 their unyielding commitment to protecting the people and ideals of the United States; and

16 WHEREAS, through the organization Honor Flight, World War II veterans have an
17 opportunity to take a free day trip to Washington, D.C., to visit the World War II Memorial;
18 and

19 WHEREAS, Honor Flight is a national organization founded in Springfield, Ohio, by Earle
20 Morse in 2005 that has expanded over the past five years to allow thousands of World War
21 II veterans to experience the Memorial; and

22 WHEREAS, Honor Flight of Northwest Georgia is a program organized by volunteers in
23 Bartow County to pay tribute to World War II veterans in the community; and

24 WHEREAS, this amazing organization provides World War II veterans with a chance to visit
25 the World War II Memorial which was completed in 2004, giving participants a unique
26 opportunity to pay their respects to their fellow soldiers; and

27 WHEREAS, Georgia's veterans of World War II embodied the spirit of service, willing to
28 find meaning in something greater than themselves, and it is abundantly fitting and proper
29 that the outstanding accomplishments and sacrifices of these remarkable and distinguished
30 Americans be honored appropriately.

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
32 express their most profound appreciation for Georgia's World War II veterans of the United
33 States military who stood ever ready to lay the ultimate sacrifice upon the altar of freedom.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
35 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Honor Flight of Northwest Georgia.