

Senate Resolution 1024

By: Senator Thompson of the 33rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending American Legion Post 294; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, American Legion Post 294 had its beginning in Powder Springs in the early
3 1980's when a small group of men began meeting in a restaurant, in a member's office, or on
4 the tailgate of a pickup truck; and

5 WHEREAS, 12 men pooled enough money to buy an old house to serve as their post, and
6 they began saving money from such fund raisers as yard sales, fish fries, turkey shoots,
7 raffles, and bingo and were soon able to rent, then buy, a building for their post; and

8 WHEREAS, with growing membership and the success of bingo, they have been able to
9 accomplish building renovations and help local youth organizations, needy families, and
10 veterans, and they started a new Boy Scout troop and now make their facilities available to
11 several nonprofit organizations, including Girl Scouts, ball teams, cheerleaders, and civic
12 clubs; and

13 WHEREAS, the post, in conjunction with local churches, delivers food baskets for needy and
14 elderly people at Thanksgiving and Christmas; with the help of the U.S. Marine Corps
15 Reserve, holds an annual Toys for Tots drive at Christmas; sponsors local youth programs
16 throughout the year such as Little League baseball, cheerleading, and football; sponsors local
17 high school boys and girls state candidates; and sponsors the Veterans Memorial Monument
18 in Powder Springs in recognition of veterans of the armed forces; and the ladies' auxiliary
19 sponsors the Special Olympics through bingo.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
21 recognize and commend American Legion Post 294 for its many accomplishments and
22 contributions.

- 1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 2 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to American Legion Post 294.