

Senate Resolution 177

By: Senators Hill of the 4th, Bowen of the 13th and Johnson of the 1st

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Martin W. NeSmith; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Martin W. NeSmith is well known in Claxton, Georgia, as a prominent business
3 and civic leader and he was appointed to the University System of Georgia Board of Regents
4 by Governor Roy Barnes in 1999 and ably represents the first congressional district; and

5 WHEREAS, he is the proud owner and dealer of NeSmith Chevrolet-Oldsmobile-Pontiac,
6 Inc., in Claxton and NeSmith Chevrolet-Olds of Hinesville and was this year's Georgia
7 nominee for the 32nd Annual *Time Magazine* Quality Dealer Award (TMQDA); and

8 WHEREAS, this prestigious award was presented to him at the National Automobile Dealers
9 Association 2001 Convention in Las Vegas on February 3rd in recognition of the exceptional
10 performance of his dealerships and his extensive community service; and

11 WHEREAS, he aspired to own an automobile dealership as a young man first out of college
12 and was most fortunate in having his dreams come true, and he has demonstrated his
13 commitment to public service by serving as a board member of the Medical College of
14 Georgia, chairman of the board of the Coastal Conservation Association of Georgia, and
15 chairman of the board of the Georgia Automobile Dealers Association.

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
17 recognize and commend Martin W. NeSmith on being the recipient of the *Time Magazine*
18 Quality Dealer of the Year Award and convey to him their utmost respect and appreciation
19 of his valuable contributions through public service.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
21 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Martin W. NeSmith.