

Senate Resolution 187

By: Senator Blich of the 7th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Honorable Joe Strickland on his retirement; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Honorable Joe Strickland is well known and highly respected by his fellow
3 citizens in Camden County where he served with distinction as the first chief magistrate court
4 judge from 1983 until he retired December 31, 2000; and

5 WHEREAS, this distinguished gentleman was born in the Town of Hortense in Brantley
6 County on February 8, 1915, came of age during the Great Depression, labored in the timber
7 and turpentine business, came to Woodbine with his wife, Maggie, and their daughter,
8 Andrea, in 1948, and spent 35 years in the signals maintenance branch of the Seaboard
9 Coastline Railroad; and

10 WHEREAS, after retiring from the railroad, he devoted 25 years serving the citizens of
11 Camden County as a building inspector and zoning officer and later as the justice of the
12 peace before he was appointed chief magistrate judge by the Superior Court of the
13 Brunswick Judicial Circuit; and

14 WHEREAS, throughout his judicial career, he has consistently demonstrated the utmost
15 integrity and fairness to all persons subject to the court's jurisdiction and maintained a deep
16 sensitivity and compassion for individuals regardless of their social or economic status; and

17 WHEREAS, in addition to his demanding public service career, Judge Strickland has been
18 an involved member of his community where he is a charter member of the Woodbine Lions
19 Club and a dedicated member of the Woodbine Methodist Church, and he was granted the
20 first honorary membership in the Camden/Kings Bay Area Chamber of Commerce.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that this body commends
22 Honorable Joe Strickland for his exceptional public service to his community and conveys
23 best wishes to him on the occasion of his retirement.

- 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 Honorable Joe Strickland.