

Senate Resolution 81

By: Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Bowen of the 13th, Thomas of the 54th, Seay of the 34th and Reed of the 35th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending accredited fire and emergency service agencies of Georgia,
2 and in observance of the 31st Annual Firefighters' Recognition Day; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the mission of the Commission on Fire and Accreditation International is to
4 assist fire and emergency service agencies in achieving excellence through self assessment
5 and accreditation in order to provide continuous quality improvement and enhancement of
6 services delivery to their communities; and

7 WHEREAS, the sponsors of this resolution continue to support and encourage efforts to
8 elevate the performance of fire and emergency services personnel throughout Georgia; and

9 WHEREAS, the Atlanta Fire Department, Columbus Department of Fire and Emergency
10 Medical Services, and Fayette County Department of Emergency Services have sought to
11 raise the level of effectiveness of their sworn and civic duty through criteria established by
12 the Commission on Fire and Accreditation International; and

13 WHEREAS, the recognition of these three agencies should serve as inspiration to other fire
14 and emergency service agencies throughout Georgia and encourage the pursuit of excellence
15 and validation from international peers; and

16 WHEREAS, February 4, 2003, is Firefighters' Recognition Day, and it is fitting and proper
17 that accredited fire and emergency agencies be recognized for their outstanding service in
18 protecting the lives, property, and environment of the citizens and visitors of Georgia.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the above accredited
20 agencies are recognized and all fire and emergency agencies in Georgia are commended for
21 their outstanding service to its citizens and visitors.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
2 to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to Chief Tommy Whitaker, President of
3 Georgia State Firefighters Association, and the fire department chiefs in Atlanta, Columbus,
4 and Fayette County, Georgia.