

Senate Resolution 149

By: Senator Lee of the 29th

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring J. T. "Tommy" Gresham; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, J. T. "Tommy" Gresham and his wife Marcine Gresham are two of the leading  
3 citizens of the State of Georgia whose outstanding service and contributions have enriched  
4 the citizenry of this state in innumerable ways; and

5 WHEREAS, a resident of LaGrange, Georgia, Tommy Gresham has now reached the end of  
6 a remarkable career as President of the Callaway philanthropies, Callaway Foundation, Inc.  
7 and Fuller E. Callaway Foundation, having served both organizations in exemplary fashion  
8 for more than 33 years; and

9 WHEREAS, in the course of his career, he left an indelible impression on everyone fortunate  
10 enough to know and work with him; and

11 WHEREAS, from 1976 to 2002, he administered more than \$218 million in Callaway grants  
12 to various religious, charitable, and educational organizations, including millions of dollars  
13 in scholarship funds to hundreds of Georgia students; and

14 WHEREAS, a 1960 honor graduate of Georgia Tech, he has also been involved in numerous  
15 other local and state charitable and educational activities, including service as president of  
16 Enoch Callaway Cancer Clinic, Inc., and Medical Park Foundation, Inc., and as a trustee of  
17 Georgia Heart Clinic Inc., and, also, service as a member of the Board of Trustees of Georgia  
18 Tech Foundation Inc., of which he is a past president, and as a member of the Board of  
19 Trustees of Georgia Tech Research Corporation; and

20 WHEREAS, he has been most ably supported and aided through his career by his remarkable  
21 wife, Marcine Gresham, whose contributions to our state are equally deserving of recognition  
22 and commendation; and

1 WHEREAS, it is altogether fitting and proper to recognize and commend this distinguished  
2 community leader for his deep concern for others, his strong sense of fair play, and his  
3 abiding sense of self-modesty.

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that this body honors J. T.  
5 "Tommy" Gresham and expresses its deep appreciation for the work that he has done in  
6 advancing religious, charitable, and educational causes throughout the State of Georgia.

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
8 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to J. T. "Tommy" Gresham.