

Senate Resolution 248

By: Senator Bulloch of the 11th

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Corporal Rick Ashley; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Corporal Rick Ashley, a deputy with the Decatur County Sheriff's Office, has  
3 been chosen by the Georgia Chapter of the Keep Georgia Beautiful Program as the 2003  
4 Code Enforcement Officer for the State of Georgia; and

5 WHEREAS, this deeply committed law enforcement officer has investigated 154 illegal  
6 dump sites which has resulted in 129 sites being cleaned up at the violator's expense, 40  
7 criminal prosecutions for littering, 131 warnings issued, and over \$6,000.00 in fines  
8 collected; and

9 WHEREAS, using a Decatur County Sheriff's Office boat, he led and participated in a  
10 River's Alive cleanup of the Flint River by patrolling the river and assisting volunteers in  
11 removing 3.6 tons of debris from the river; and

12 WHEREAS, he has assisted in the educational programs provided by the Decatur County  
13 Keep America Beautiful Program with the result that anti-littering programs are being  
14 offered to approximately 400 students in six elementary schools in the county; and

15 WHEREAS, his leadership ability is evident in his role as a mentor officer to Keep Georgia  
16 Beautiful Programs in Pike, Thomas, and Worth counties; and

17 WHEREAS, in addition to his duties as a deputy he is currently pursuing a bachelor's degree  
18 in criminal justice at Bainbridge College.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
20 congratulate Corporal Rick Ashley on his being named the 2003 Code Enforcement Officer  
21 and commend him for his outstanding efforts to preserve Georgia's natural beauty.

- 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 Corporal Rick Ashley.