

Senate Resolution 375

By: Senators Gillis of the 20th and Starr of the 44th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life of Roy James Chappell and expressing deep regret at his passing; and for
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest natural resource conservationists and
4 most distinguished citizens January 31, 2003, with the passing of Roy James Chappell; and

5 WHEREAS, he was born November 7, 1930, in Dudley, Georgia, and married to the former
6 Margie Jackson for 45 years, with whom he enjoyed a son, Roy James Chappell, Jr.; a
7 daughter and son-in-law, Cathy and David Fowler; and one grandchild, Troy Fowler; and

8 WHEREAS, his devotion to the citizens of Georgia and the natural resources on which they
9 depend have contributed greatly to this state; and

10 WHEREAS, his statewide service as a member of the State Soil and Water Conservation
11 Commission since 1985 and his 30 years' leadership on the Central Georgia Soil and Water
12 Conservation District was beneficial to all of Georgia's citizens and agricultural producers;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, he has shown allegiance to the State of Georgia and the United States through
15 his service in the Georgia House of Representatives from 1971-1974 and his service in the
16 United States Air Force as a surgical medic; and

17 WHEREAS, his dedication to natural resources, the people of Laurens County, and the State
18 of Georgia was evident through his practices in farming and conservation, presidency of the
19 Laurens County Cattlemen's Association, presidency of the Georgia Association of
20 Conservation District Supervisors, presidency of the Dublin Rotary Club, his position as vice
21 chairman of the Pine Country Resource Conservation and Development Council, and his
22 devotion as a deacon at the First Baptist Church of Dublin; and

1 WHEREAS, he has been honored as a Paul Harris Fellow and a Will Watts Fellow and has
2 been awarded the Conservation Medal by the John Laurens Chapter of NSDAR.

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
4 remember and honor the life of Roy James Chappell and express heartfelt regret at the
5 passing of such a devoted and honorable man.

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
7 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Roy James Chappell.