Senate Resolution 593

By: Senator Jackson of the 50th

A RESOLUTION

1   Honoring and remembering the life of Thomas Augustus Arrendale, Jr.; and for other

2   purposes.

3   WHEREAS, Mr. Arrendale was born in Rabun County in the year 1920; he was the beloved

4   son of Thomas Augustus and Della Blalock Arrendale; and

5   WHEREAS, the young Thomas Arrendale attended Clemson University and Georgia

6   Institute of Technology; he courageously left Georgia Tech after one year to enlist in the

7   Army Air Corps and fought in World War II; and

8   WHEREAS, his later business ventures bought great returns to his community and Georgia

9   and his Fieldale Farms poultry processing facility employs nearly 5,000 Northeast Georgians

10 and ranks as one of the top ten poultry processors in the world; and

11 WHEREAS, he was chairman of the board of Habersham Bank for 41 years and co-founded

12 LP Services, a natural gas distributor; his impact on the business community and economic

13 growth and stability in Northeast Georgia went far beyond his own interests and was

14 immeasurable; and

15 WHEREAS, his interests in the community went far beyond business and his service on the

16 Habersham Hospital Board, Clarkesville Masonic Lodge, Habersham County Chamber of

17 Commerce, and the Presbyterian Church of Clarkesville; and

18 WHEREAS, his service and impact upon his community were often recognized, as Mr.

19 Arrendale earned such designations as the Chamber of Commerce Man of the Year and the

20 Sam Walton Community Leader Award, and a portion of Georgia Highway 365 is named in

21 his honor.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that this body honors and
2 remembers the dignity, character, and rural roots of this gentle man, Mr. Thomas Augustus
3 Arrendale, Jr., and his impact upon the economic and social lives of Northeast Georgians.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
5 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. Thomas Augustus
6 Arrendale, Jr.