

## Senate Resolution 653

By: Senators Thomas of the 2nd and Johnson of the 1st

## A RESOLUTION

1 Proclaiming February 24, 2004, as "GHS GT Awareness Day in Savannah, Georgia"; and for  
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Division of Academic Services of the Savannah-Chatham County School  
4 System has initiated a 2004 Georgia High School Graduation Test Countdown Initiative to  
5 raise the awareness level of eleventh grade students on the importance of passing the GHS GT  
6 on the first attempt; and

7 WHEREAS, many Chatham County students who failed to pass the test on the first attempt  
8 in 2003 were greatly distressed because they could not participate in the graduation  
9 ceremonies with their friends and peers; and

10 WHEREAS, the Division of Academic Services feels confident that creating a sense of  
11 urgency in the students to pass the test on their first attempt will motivate the students and  
12 greatly improve the success rate in the Savannah-Chatham County School System; and

13 WHEREAS, the awareness campaign will hold a mock graduation for the eleventh graders  
14 in the Savannah Civic Center on Tuesday, February 24, 2004, to give the students a taste of  
15 what it will be like to walk across the stage and receive their diploma in front of family and  
16 friends, thus giving motivation to prepare properly for the test.

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that February 24, 2004, be  
18 designated "GHS GT Awareness Day in Savannah, Georgia."

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of this body express their complete  
20 confidence in the ability and spirit of the members of Chatham County's graduating class of  
21 2005 and wish them every success with the 2004 Georgia High School Graduation Test.

- 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 the Division of Academic Services of the
- 3 Savannah-Chatham County School System.