

Senate Resolution 861

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

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Rev. Joseph A. Ware and congratulating him on his selection
2 as grand marshal of the 2004 Savannah St. Patrick's Day Parade; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Rev. Joseph A. Ware is a distinguished native son and citizen of Savannah and
4 the State of Georgia; and

5 WHEREAS, he was born and raised in Savannah and grew up marching in the St. Patrick's
6 Day Parade as a boy, as a student at the Sacred Heart School, and as a cadet at Benedictine
7 Military School; and

8 WHEREAS, Rev. Ware left Savannah to attend seminary and pursue his calling in the
9 Roman Catholic Church; and after four decades of service as a priest, Rev. Ware retired to
10 his beloved Savannah; and

11 WHEREAS, Rev. Ware served as the first parade chaplain of the St. Patrick's Day Parade
12 in 1973 and also served in that capacity in 1993 and 2003; and

13 WHEREAS, he has been accorded the high honor of selection to serve as grand marshal of
14 the 2004 St. Patrick's Day Parade, carrying on a great tradition of outstanding grand
15 marshals; and

16 WHEREAS, the 2004 parade will mark the 180th occasion on which this outstanding festive
17 and historic event has been held and all who know him are highly confident that Rev. Ware
18 will carry out his duties as grand marshal in an exemplary and successful manner.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that this body recognizes and
20 commends Rev. Joseph A. Ware and congratulates him on his selection as grand marshal of
21 the 2004 Savannah St. Patrick's Day Parade.

- 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 Rev. Joseph A. Ware.