

House Resolution 1652

By: Representatives Smith of the 87th, Westmoreland of the 86th, Brown of the 89th, Harper of the 88th, Post 2, and Butler of the 88th, Post 1

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring James M. "Jim" Lyle and inviting him to appear before the House of
2 Representatives; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, June 30, 2004, will mark the retirement of Georgia Public Broadcasting's
4 Executive Director, Jim Lyle, who has overseen the operations of the Atlanta-based,
5 nine-station Georgia Public Television network, the 15 station Georgia Public Radio
6 network, and PeachStar Education Service, Georgia's satellite-based, distance learning
7 network since the beginning of this century; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Lyle, a Georgia State University undergraduate and graduate, formerly
9 served as the Deputy Director of Georgia Public Broadcasting; and

10 WHEREAS, a native of Milledgeville, and longtime Sharpsburg resident, Mr. Lyle began his
11 state government career in March, 1971, and worked with the Governor's Office of Planning
12 and Budget, the Georgia Department of Human Resources, and finally as Deputy
13 Commissioner of the Department of Administrative Services from 1991 through 1998; and

14 WHEREAS, his tireless devotion and drive have garnered him much success transforming
15 the management of the Georgia Public Broadcasting systems and their valuable services to
16 citizens, and while with DOAS his efforts to revamp Georgia's purchasing processes
17 culminated in the passage of the Purchasing Reform Act of 1996; and

18 WHEREAS, he also worked with Governor Zell Miller's Williams Commission and the
19 Georgia Commission On Privatization of Government Services to improve the efficiency of
20 state agencies and modernize and streamline state government purchases; and

21 WHEREAS, Mr. Lyle serves as the President of the Foundation for Public Broadcasting in
22 Georgia, Inc., on the governing board of the Five Star Alliance, a collaborative of five
23 southern state public broadcasting networks, on the State Distance Learning and

1 Telemedicine Governing Board, on the Agency Head Advisory Committee for the Georgia
2 Technology Authority, on the Board of the Georgia Commission on the Holocaust, and on
3 the advisory boards for the Atlanta History Center, Georgia State University, the Georgia
4 Humanities Council, the New Georgia Encyclopedia, and the Andrew Young School of
5 Public Policy Master's of Public Administration program; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Lyle has long played a significant role in community affairs, serving on the
7 Georgia Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors and being selected for the 2001 Regional
8 Leadership Institute, and as a member of the Georgia Historical Society, Zoo Atlanta, the
9 Atlanta History Center, and the Georgia State University Alumni Association.

10 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
11 the members of this body honor and commend James M. "Jim " Lyle, for his many years of
12 outstanding service and significant contributions the citizens of the State of Georgia and
13 invite him to appear before this body at a time to be determined by the Speaker of the House
14 to convey to him their utmost respect, appreciation, and best wishes in retirement.

15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
16 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to James M. "Jim " Lyle.