

Senate Resolution 991

By: Senator Levetan of the 40th

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Expressing regret at the passing of Meyer L. Balsler; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, on March 5, 2004, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest and most  
3 distinguished citizens with the tragic and untimely passing of Meyer L. Balsler, a man  
4 recognized as a pillar of the Jewish community in Atlanta; and

5 WHEREAS, this exceptional individual exhibited outstanding leadership and meticulous  
6 attention to detail in all of his life, including his service with the Red Cross and Community  
7 Chest of Atlanta, the Atlanta Jewish Community Center, the Jewish Tower, and the Jewish  
8 Federation of Greater Atlanta; and

9 WHEREAS, he received the Anti-Defamation League's Abe Goldstein Human Relations  
10 Award in 1978 and the Jewish Federation of Greater Atlanta's Lifetime Achievement Award  
11 in 2003; and

12 WHEREAS, he worked for over 60 years in the insurance business, primarily with  
13 Massachusetts Life Insurance Company, for which he was twice recognized as Man of the  
14 Year for Massachusetts Life and was a member of the industry's Million Dollar Round Table  
15 for 56 consecutive years; and

16 WHEREAS, his unparalleled organizational and leadership talents, his remarkable patience  
17 and diplomacy, his keen sense of vision, and his acute sensitivity to the needs of the citizens  
18 of his community and state earned him the respect and admiration of his colleagues and  
19 associates; and

20 WHEREAS, the untimely passing of this generous, kind, and devoted family man leaves an  
21 unfillable void in the hearts and lives of his family and friends.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
2 express their deepest and most sincere regret at the passing of Meyer L. Balser.

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
4 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Meyer L. Balser.