

Senate Resolution 1280

By: Senator Golden of the 8th

### A RESOLUTION

1 Commending James A. Bridges; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, James A. Bridges is widely recognized throughout the state as the  
3 personification of excellence in technical education; and

4 WHEREAS, this highly respected professional educator and administrator has served with  
5 honor and distinction as a technical educator for over 40 years and as president of Valdosta  
6 Technical College since 1984; and

7 WHEREAS, he believes that his continuing role as an educator and administrator is to act  
8 as an instrument of inspiration and enthusiasm to his pupils and to create a positive learning  
9 environment through the encouragement of competitive instincts in students; and

10 WHEREAS, he is regarded by his peers as the "Dean of Technical Educator" and he has  
11 announced his retirement effective June 1, 2006; and

12 WHEREAS, he is a shining example of the important impact that the efforts of education  
13 professionals are making on the quality of technical education received by the students of this  
14 state, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that his superlative accomplishments be  
15 recognized appropriately.

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
17 heartily and gratefully commend James A. Bridges for his sacrifice, foresight,  
18 accomplishment, and contributions on behalf of technical education in Georgia and for the  
19 positive influence he has had upon the lives and futures of countless young people in this  
20 state; congratulate him upon the grand occasion of his retirement; and extend to him their  
21 most sincere best wishes for health and happiness in the future.

- 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 James A. Bridges.