

## House Resolution 2155

By: Representatives Keen of the 179<sup>th</sup>, Richardson of the 19<sup>th</sup>, Burkhalter of the 50<sup>th</sup>, and Fleming of the 117<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Sam Choate; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Sam Choate has long been recognized by the citizens of the State of Georgia  
3 as the personification of perfection in his mastery of matters of state and local government;  
4 and

5 WHEREAS, he is an honest and dedicated public servant who strives for excellence in all  
6 his endeavors and whose primary concern is the welfare of Georgia and its citizens; and

7 WHEREAS, this dedicated individual has exhibited extraordinary devotion to duty,  
8 outstanding loyalty, fine leadership, and meticulous attention to detail in all his duties  
9 throughout his career of peerless public service as counsel to the Speaker of the House of  
10 Representatives and as counsel to the Republican Caucus of the House of Representatives;  
11 and

12 WHEREAS, he is of a naturally quiet and retiring disposition and has placed himself into a  
13 position demanding the most public of performances, and his mastering of the substantive  
14 aspects of state and local government law has brought an unmatched expertise to the  
15 operation and administration of the House of Representatives; and

16 WHEREAS, the members of this body, and in particular those who worked closely with Sam  
17 on so many important matters, will always admire his consistently thorough consideration  
18 of the complex issues presented to this deliberative body, including his superb role in crafting  
19 legislation to address complex issues such as eminent domain, sexual predators, and tort  
20 reform, and his integrity and reliability rightfully earned him our honor, respect, and trust  
21 over the years; and

1 WHEREAS, he has consistently demonstrated a solid commitment to the careful study of  
2 sensitive issues and proposed solutions and has quickly developed a reputation as an  
3 equitable, impartial counselor whose decisions are governed by the rules of honesty and fair  
4 play and whose actions are marked by unmatched dignity, grace, and wisdom; and

5 WHEREAS, his unparalleled organizational and leadership talents, his remarkable patience  
6 and diplomacy, his keen sense of vision, and his acute sensitivity to the needs of the citizens  
7 of his community and state have earned him the respect and admiration of his colleagues and  
8 associates; and

9 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this  
10 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be recognized appropriately.

11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
12 the members of this body commend Sam Choate for the effective, efficient, unselfish, and  
13 dedicated service that he has rendered on behalf of Georgia and extend to him their utmost  
14 appreciation for his having so purely and truly defined for others the meaning of public  
15 servant.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
17 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Sam Choate.