

Senate Resolution 110

By: Senator Pearson of the 51st

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Commending and honoring Gordon Pirkle; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Mr. Gordon Pirkle was born on December 27, 1936, in Dawson County,  
3 Georgia, a seventh generation Dawson County resident; and he graduated from Dawson  
4 County High School in 1955 and was united in marriage to Idilene Bennett in 1961; and

5 WHEREAS, Gordon Pirkle has long been recognized by the citizens of Dawson County and  
6 this state for the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment  
7 to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

8 WHEREAS, he has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,  
9 talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community as evidenced by his record of  
10 superlative service as chairman of the Georgia Amusement and Music Operators Association,  
11 charter member of the Dawson County Jaycees, executive leader of the Star Bright  
12 Foundation and KARE For Kids, organizer of the Mountain Moonshine Festival, and  
13 substantial supporter of the Partners in Education and the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society;  
14 and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Gordon Pirkle is a remarkable entrepreneur and business leader as  
16 demonstrated by his opening the Lanier Vending Company, Inc., and the Dawsonville Pool  
17 Room and his operation of the Corner Café and The Champions Café; and

18 WHEREAS, Gordon Pirkle is a devoted husband to his wife Idilene and loving father to their  
19 four children, Lawton, Frankie, Hayley, and Gordon Jr., and a proud grandfather and  
20 great-grandfather to his 12 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren; and

21 WHEREAS, his significant leadership talents and his sensitivity to the needs of the citizens  
22 of his community have earned him the respect and admiration of his colleagues and  
23 associates as demonstrated by his receipt of many awards and recognitions, including an

1 award of appreciation from the Bill Elliott and Coors Melling Race Team, the Leader of the  
2 Year award from the Dawson County Chamber of Commerce, and an honorary Key to the  
3 City of Dawsonville; and

4 WHEREAS, this distinguished gentleman is a person of magnanimous strengths and, by the  
5 example he has made of his life, he makes this world a better place in which to live; and on  
6 December 27, 2006, he enjoyed the distinction of celebrating his 70th birthday.

7 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
8 commend Gordon Pirkle for his effective, unselfish, and dedicated public service;  
9 congratulate him upon the occasion of his 70th birthday; and extend to him their most sincere  
10 best wishes for continued health and happiness.

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
12 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Gordon Pirkle.