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Senate Resolution 295

By: Senator Goggans of the 7th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Mr. Francis M. Lott; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Mr. Francis M. Lott, President of Lott Properties, Inc., has donated a generous
- 3 gift of \$1 million to the Douglas Coffee County Economic Development Fund; and
- 4 WHEREAS, the fund is operated by the Community Foundation of Coffee County, a civic
- 5 organization that was founded in 2002 with the mission of advancing philanthropy and
- 6 energizing groups of residents who want to be involved; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Francis M. Lott graduated from Georgia Tech in 1959 with a degree in
- 8 architecture and returned to Douglas in 1963 after serving as an ROTC Captain in the United
- 9 States air force; and
- 10 WHEREAS, he has tirelessly volunteered his leadership to the Douglas-Coffee County
- 11 Chamber of Commerce since 1975 and has facilitated considerable economic growth in the
- 12 area; and
- 13 WHEREAS, he was named the Statewide Volunteer of the Year for 1995 by the Georgia
- 14 Economic Development Association and is the recipient of numerous other awards and
- 15 honors recognizing his tireless service to various organizations, including Ben-Hill Irwin
- 16 Tech, Douglas-Coffee County Chamber of Commerce, the Southeast Georgia Regional
- 17 Development Council, and the Lion's Club; and
- 18 WHEREAS, he is an organizing director for Douglas National Bank, serves on the Board of
- 19 Directors of the Coffee County Community Foundation, and is a member of the Georgia
- 20 Tech Presidential Scholarship Committee; and
- 21 WHEREAS, he is the devoted husband of Diane Vickers Lott and the loving father of four
- 22 grown children, Jeffrey, Kirby, Mary Jane, and Allyson; and

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1 WHEREAS, Mr. Lott's gift is an exceptional gesture of kindness towards the Coffee County

- 2 community, and his generosity has brought honor to the State of Georgia.
- 3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 4 recognize Mr. Francis M. Lott for his achievements as a Georgia economic leader and
- 5 commend him for his laudable donation to the Douglas Coffee County Economic
- 6 Development Fund.
- 7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 8 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Francis M. Lott.