

Senate Resolution 407

By: Senator Pearson of the 51st

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Lieutenant Colonel Edgar George David, Jr.; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Edgar George David, Jr., is a decorated veteran, a talented
3 community leader, and a devoted family man of Dawson County, Georgia; and

4 WHEREAS, Edgar George David, Jr., was born on January 13, 1929, in Tampa, Florida, to
5 Edna Mona Anderson and Edgar George David, Sr.; and

6 WHEREAS, he is a celebrated graduate of Castle Heights Military Academy, North Georgia
7 College, and the University of Georgia, where he graduated with a Bachelor of Science
8 degree in Psychology; and

9 WHEREAS, he served nobly in multiple conflicts abroad with the United States Infantry,
10 earning a number of military honors, including The Master Parachutist Badge, The Combat
11 Infantryman Badge with Star, The Ranger Tab, The Air Medal, The Korean Service Medal,
12 and The Vietnam Service Medal, The Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry, and the Vietnamese
13 Parachutist Badge; and

14 WHEREAS, he served as a platoon leader in the Korean War and as a special advisor in the
15 Vietnam War, retiring in 1971 as a Lieutenant Colonel in the Special Forces; and

16 WHEREAS, he received a Master of Education degree in Recreation and Park
17 Administration and a Master's degree in Curriculum and Supervision from the University of
18 Georgia, and returned to Dawson County in 1974; and

19 WHEREAS, he returned from his military career ready to serve his country at home with the
20 same diligence and passion that he had exhibited abroad, serving as a member of the Board
21 of Education for eight years, a member of the Board of Elections, a member of the Board of
22 Equalization, a president of the Booster Club, a president and secretary of the Dawsonville

1 Lions Club, a charter member of the Dawson County Chamber of Commerce, an advisor to
2 the Dawson County Homeowners Association, and a secretary-treasurer of the Dawson
3 County Development Authority and Industrial Building Authority; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. David was a founder and a charter member of the Board of Directors of the
5 Etowah Water and Sewer Authority, a cofounder of the Dawson County Humane Society,
6 and was instrumental in founding the Dawson County Republican Party, and as chairman of
7 the Dawson County Municipal Planning Commission, he cowrote the Dawson County
8 zoning rules and regulations; and

9 WHEREAS, for his many outstanding contributions to the Dawson County community, he
10 was honored with the Dawson County Stewardship Award; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. David's dedication to serving his country is surpassed only by his intense
12 devotion to his family; and

13 WHEREAS, he shared 49 years of wonderful marriage with the late Marie Elinor Alston, and
14 he has provided a wealth of loving guidance to his five daughters, Jennifer, Dana, Claire,
15 Melanie, and Dorian, eight grandchildren, and one great-grandson; and

16 WHEREAS, he remains a strong presence in the public life of Dawson County, maintaining
17 his longtime support as a pillar of the community despite having celebrated his 78th birthday
18 on January 13, 2007; and

19 WHEREAS, as he has commanded the esteem of several generations of Georgians, he has
20 brought honor to his family, community, and the State of Georgia.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
22 join in recognizing the amazing life of Lieutenant Colonel Edgar George David, Jr.,
23 commending his countless valuable contributions to the State of Georgia and the United
24 States, and extending to him the best of wishes for his future health and fulfillment.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
26 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Lieutenant Colonel Edgar George David,
27 Jr.