

Senate Resolution 525

By: Senator Thomas of the 2nd

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending and expressing appreciation to the SkyeLite Jazz Band of Savannah Arts
2 Academy; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the SkyeLite Jazz Band of Savannah Arts Academy is an accomplished and
4 widely heralded musical group which reflects great credit on the State of Georgia; and

5 WHEREAS, this outstanding group, under the direction of Mr. Michael Hutchinson and
6 guidance of Dr. John Bradley, has gone on to great success, including among many other
7 performances those given by the band in London, England; at the Olympic Trials Opening
8 Ceremony and the Olympic Closing Ceremony in Savannah; on the steps of the United States
9 Capitol; and in the State Days Series at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts;
10 and

11 WHEREAS, the band has previously been designated as Official Ambassadors of Goodwill
12 by President Clinton and Governor Zell Miller; and

13 WHEREAS, the band performed at the Georgia Reception at the 2000 Southern Legislative
14 Conference in Biloxi, Mississippi, and performed at the State Dinner when Georgia hosted
15 the 2001 Southern Legislative Conference in Savannah; and

16 WHEREAS, the band also performed at the State Capitol for Savannah-Chatham Day on
17 January 24, 2001; and

18 WHEREAS, members of the SkyeLite Jazz Band were invited by a representative of the
19 U.S.-China Cultural and Educational Foundation to perform in Chengdu and Beijing, China,
20 in June of 2004; and

1 WHEREAS, the SkyeLite Jazz Band most recently has been invited to perform in San
2 Francisco, California, at the National School Board Association's (NSBA) 67th Annual
3 Conference and Exhibition April 15, 2007.

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that this body hereby
5 commends and expresses appreciation to the SkyeLite Jazz Band of Savannah Arts Academy
6 for its many outstanding accomplishments and its important contributions to the State of
7 Georgia.

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
9 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the SkyeLite Jazz Band.