

Senate Resolution 861

By: Senator Butler of the 55th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Mr. Grover M. Barfield; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Mr. Grover M. Barfield is the Coroner in Macon County, Georgia; and
- 3 WHEREAS, in 2006, he was CFR Coroner of the Year; and
- 4 WHEREAS, he is an active member of many organizations in his community as chairman
- 5 of the Macon County Child Abuse Protocol Committee, a member and past chairman of
- 6 Macon County CFR team, and a 27 year veteran of law enforcement with 24 years of death
- 7 investigation experience; and
- 8 WHEREAS, as an active community servant, he has organized a public seminar and program
- 9 for battered women, a community program on domestic violence; he has spoken to
- 10 community members about sudden infant death syndrome; he is trained as a volunteer
- 11 instructor for child safety seats; he has delivered a program to the Retired Teachers
- 12 Association of Macon County; and he has participated in a Bible study group, speaking on
- 13 the duties of a coroner; and
- 14 WHEREAS, as a result of his community service, parents have reported they are following
- 15 his guidance on the prevention of sudden infant death syndrome; more women have reported
- 16 domestic violence to the local sheriff's department, local churches are becoming involved
- 17 in beginning support groups, and family members are reporting suspected domestic violence;
- 18 and
- 19 WHEREAS, Mr. Barfield has been very creative in joining forces with organizations such
- 20 as Family Connections, using public festivals as a tool to draw public interest and get
- 21 information to the citizens in Macon County, using local newspapers to spread the word, and
- 22 maintaining exceptional rapport with medical personnel and law enforcement; and

1 WHEREAS, on many occasions, Mr. Barfield has gone above and beyond the call of duty
2 as Coroner, visiting families who have lost loved ones, and he has even been known to spend
3 his own money to make certain the surviving family members have all the information
4 available concerning their lost loved ones.

5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
6 recognize the exemplary service provided by Mr. Grover M. Barfield and commend him on
7 his service to his community and this state.

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 Mr. Grover M. Barfield.