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Senate Resolution 1163

By: Senator Schaefer of the 50th

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Habersham County for being designated this state's newest
- 2 Entrepreneur Friendly community.
- 3 WHEREAS, on March 7, 2008, Habersham County was named Entrepreneur Friendly by the
- 4 Georgia Department of Economic Development; and
- 5 WHEREAS, this designation indicates that the Habersham County community has developed
- 6 an environment that is welcoming to small businesses and entrepreneurs; and
- 7 WHEREAS, to earn this designation, Habersham County completed the Entrepreneur
- 8 Friendly program with the assistance of the Georgia Department of Economic Development;
- 9 and
- 10 WHEREAS, the county analyzed its entrepreneurial and small business environment and
- developed strategies to help foster the growth of this critical business segment; and
- 12 WHEREAS, being awarded this designation makes qualified entrepreneurs and small
- 13 business owners in Habersham County eligible for customized market data, such as
- 14 demographic business information, which will help give them a competitive edge; and
- 15 WHEREAS, the county is also eligible for an Entrepreneur-Friendly Implementation Fund
- 16 grant to assist it with implementing long-term programs that support its entrepreneurs and
- 17 small businesses; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Habersham County's goal is to create an entrepreneur friendly environment and
- 19 build entrepreneur and small business strategies into its overall economic development
- 20 strategies.

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1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body

- 2 recognize Habersham County for being designated this state's newest Entrepreneur Friendly
- 3 community and commend it for its efforts to encourage and support entrepreneurs and small
- 4 businesses in its community.
- 5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is hereby authorized and
- 6 directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Habersham County
- 7 Entrepreneur Friendly Committee.