By: Senators Douglas of the 17th and Ramsey, Sr. Of the 43rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the Rockdale County Sheriff's Department; and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, during the recent tornado which severely damaged downtown Atlanta on
Friday, March 14, 2008, the Rockdale County Sheriff's Office responded by sending
emergency vehicles along with personnel to assist Atlanta police officers and fire fighters;
and

6 WHEREAS, arriving on Saturday morning was a mobile command vehicle, which housed
7 computer terminals, televisions, and other emergency monitoring equipment, and was used
8 by the Atlanta Police and Fire Departments as a 24-hour command center; and

9 WHEREAS, Sheriff Jeff Wigington, along with 12 Rockdale County Sheriff's Department

10 employees, arrived on the scene to assist in the emergency operations and to operate the

11 mobile command center; and

12 WHEREAS, the second vehicle coming from Rockdale County was a mobile shelter vehicle

13 containing 100 cots and other related comfort necessities, supported by two Rockdale County

14 sheriff's deputies, that remained at the scene from Saturday, March 15 through Thursday,

15 March 20, 2008; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the assistance provided by the Rockdale
County Sheriff's Department during the recent tornado damage in Atlanta be appropriately
recognized.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
join together to commend the Rockdale County Sheriff's Department for their outstanding
assistance during the recent storms in Atlanta.

- 1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is hereby authorized and
- 2 directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Rockdale County Sheriff Jeff
- 3 Wigington.