By: Senators Jones of the 10th, Buckner of the 44th and Douglas of the 17th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Mr. Special Henry County Todd McEarchern; and for

2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Todd McEarchern was selected as 2009 Mr. Special Henry County at the Mr.

4 and Miss Special Henry County Pageant held by People First of Henry County; and

5 WHEREAS, the Mr. and Miss Special Henry County Pageant gives people with special

6 needs an opportunity to compete in a pageant to show their abilities, increase self-esteem,

7 and promote fairness and equality for individuals with disabilities; and

8 WHEREAS, contestants of the Mr. and Miss Special Henry County Pageant are judged on

9 stage presence, grooming, and personality, with winners making over 40 appearances a year

10 throughout Henry County and the State of Georgia; and

11 WHEREAS, 2009's Mr. Special Henry County, Todd McEarchern, is the 35-year-old son of

12 Ginny and Dean McEarchern of Stockbridge, Georgia; and

13 WHEREAS, Mr. McEarchern is a 1995 graduate of Eagles Landing High School and is an

14 active participant in the Henry County Special Olympics and Circle of Friends and helps out

15 with his church's vacation Bible school; and

WHEREAS, his hobbies include listening to music, playing on the computer, and watchingtelevision, and through his role as Mr. Special Henry County, he had the distinct honor of

18 meeting comedian Jeff Foxworthy; and

19 WHEREAS, by his pride, determination, and positive attitude, Mr. McEarchern has brought

20 credit to his parents, his community, and this state, and the uplifting role model he has

21 become for all Georgians is worthy of recognition.

- 22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 23 commend Mr. Special Henry County Todd McEarchern for the positive impact he has had
- upon countless Georgians and recognize his dedication to raising public awareness of theamazing abilities of special needs individuals.
- 26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 27 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Special Henry County Todd
- 28 McEarchern.