

Senate Resolution 1237

By: Senator Jackson of the 2nd

#### A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Mr. Tom Oxnard; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Mr. Tom Oxnard has long been recognized by the citizens this state for the vital  
3 role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the  
4 citizens of Georgia; and
- 5 WHEREAS, a native of Savannah, Georgia, Mr. Oxnard graduated from Phillips Exeter  
6 Academy and earned a bachelor's degree in social relations from Harvard College; and
- 7 WHEREAS, he worked as a journalist for *The Delta-Democrat Times* in Greenville,  
8 Mississippi and the *Gwinnett Daily News* in Lawrenceville, and served as editor of *The*  
9 *Weekly Star* in Atlanta, where he won the Georgia Press Association award for Best Editorial  
10 in Georgia in 1968; and
- 11 WHEREAS, in 1969, Mr. Oxnard switched careers and moved to New York City where he  
12 studied the commodity industry, interned at Lamborn and Company on Wall Street, and  
13 eventually worked as a manager for EF Hutton and Company's Sugar Department; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Mr. Oxnard was made a vice president at EF Hutton in 1975, became vice  
15 president of Paine Webber in 1982, and was appointed vice president of Shearson Lehman  
16 Hutton in 1990, retiring from the company in 2001; and
- 17 WHEREAS, since his retirement, Mr. Oxnard has been an active member of his community,  
18 serving on the board of Savannah Country Day School and acting as chairman of the board  
19 of Horizons Savannah, an organization which provides an intensive summer enrichment  
20 program for promising low-income children; and

21 WHEREAS, an active member of St. Peter's United Episcopal Church, Mr. Oxnard is united  
22 in love and marriage to his wife, Diane, and he has been blessed with four children and two  
23 stepchildren; and

24 WHEREAS, this life-long Democrat and founder of the Skidaway Island Democrats was  
25 recently honored as a 2010 Yellow Dog Democrat at the Annual Buttimer Awards Dinner  
26 in Savannah, Georgia; and

27 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this  
28 distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
30 commend Mr. Tom Oxnard on his incredible career and recognize his selfless, efficient, and  
31 effective service to his community and the State of Georgia.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
33 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Tom Oxnard.