

Senate Resolution 1593

By: Senators Heath of the 31st and Cowsert of the 46th

### A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Ben Hames for outstanding public service; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Ben Hames has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the vital  
4 role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the  
5 citizens of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, he has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,  
7 talents, and energy toward the betterment of this state as evidenced dramatically by his  
8 superlative service with the Office of the Governor; and

9 WHEREAS, Ben Hames has served with honor and distinction as Speechwriter for Governor  
10 Sonny Perdue, providing outstanding aid with legal and legislative matters; helping to write  
11 speeches and administer the Governor's public press communications efforts with the media  
12 and legislature; preparing and editing public announcements; coordinating meetings,  
13 business, and messages between Governor Perdue and members of the General Assembly  
14 on a variety of agency executive communications matters; providing essential information  
15 to members of the General Assembly; and assisting both the Governor and members of the  
16 General Assembly with legislative support; and

17 WHEREAS, his significant organizational and leadership talents, his remarkable patience  
18 and diplomacy, his keen sense of vision, and his sensitivity to the needs of the citizens of this  
19 state have earned him the respect and admiration of his colleagues and associates; and

20 WHEREAS, Ben Hames has served meticulously in all his duties, approached each task with  
21 determination and professionalism, and has served as a friendly and helpful member of the  
22 Office of the Governor's staff; and

23 WHEREAS, members of the General Assembly are incredibly grateful and appreciative of  
24 the dedicated and effective service each member of the Governor's Office staff has provided  
25 them over the years; and

26 WHEREAS, Ben Hames's vision and unyielding commitment have set the standard for  
27 public service, and the assistance provided to the General Assembly has ensured a smooth  
28 and efficient legislative process; and

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

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
32 commend Ben Hames for his efficient, effective, unselfish, and dedicated public service to  
33 the State of Georgia; recognize the amazing service he has provided the Office of the  
34 Governor and the members of the General Assembly; and extend to him their most sincere  
35 best wishes for continued health and happiness.

36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
37 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Ben Hames.