

## Senate Resolution 9

By: Senator Tarver of the 22nd

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Tuskegee Airmen and Bryton Entertainment; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Tuskegee Airmen were an all black squadron of pilots who broke through  
4 unimaginable obstacles during World War II to become one of the greatest success stories  
5 in military history; and

6 WHEREAS, dubbed the "Redtail Angels" by the Allied bomber crews, these brave airmen  
7 flew escort missions into the heart of Italy and Germany, allowing Allied bombers to safely  
8 and effectively reach their targets; and

9 WHEREAS, not only did these ground-breaking pilots battle the enemy overseas during war,  
10 the Tuskegee Airmen fought great racial obstacles and prejudice in their country back home;  
11 and

12 WHEREAS, Bryton Entertainment, a creative video productions company, has produced an  
13 hour and forty-five minute documentary in which the Tuskegee Airmen themselves recall  
14 their experiences; and

15 WHEREAS, this great piece of living history is unique in that it provides the pilots' first-hand  
16 accounts of their missions, the obstacles they faced, and their perspectives on what the  
17 Tuskegee Airmen stood for; and

18 WHEREAS, a dedication honoring the bravery, sacrifice, and fortitude of the Tuskegee  
19 Airmen will be held on January 17, 2009, in Augusta, Georgia, where the remarkable Bryton  
20 Entertainment documentary will debut; and

21 WHEREAS, this momentous event being held at the Partridge Inn will feature six of the  
22 original intrepid Redtail Angels: Roscoe Brown, Lee Archer, Alexander Jefferson, Hiram

23 Little, Ray Williams, and Leroy Eley, all of whom will be available for autographs and  
24 pictures; and

25 WHEREAS, the accomplishments and history of the Tuskegee Airmen are an important  
26 piece of American history and the Bryton Entertainment documentary honoring these  
27 courageous men is sure to become a national treasure.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that members of this body  
29 join in honoring the legacy of the Tuskegee Airmen and extend sincere gratitude to Bryton  
30 Entertainment for their work in commemorating these American heroes.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
32 to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the Tuskegee Airmen and Bryton  
33 Entertainment members, Denton Adkinson and Bryan Williams.