

Senate Resolution 63

By: Senators Grant of the 25th, Hooks of the 14th, Crosby of the 13th, Butterworth of the 50th and Cowser of the 46th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Mr. A. Felton Jenkins, Jr.; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens
3 with the passing of Mr. A. Felton Jenkins, Jr., on January 1, 2011; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Jenkins was born on January 18, 1941, in Madison, Georgia, and was the
5 beloved son of A. Felton Jenkins and Jimmie Davis Jenkins; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he graduated from Morgan County High School, where he played on three
7 Georgia state championship football teams, and earned bachelor's and law degrees from the
8 University of Georgia, where he was a member of Phi Beta Kappa and Omicron Delta
9 Kappa; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Mr. Jenkins began his legal career in 1965 with the King & Spalding law firm,
11 served as co-chair of the firm's litigation section, and retired in 1992 as a senior partner; and
- 12 WHEREAS, he served as the Vice Chairman of the Board of Regents of the University
13 System of Georgia, chair of the Georgia Justice Project, president of the Atlanta Chapter of
14 the American Cancer Society, and chairman of the Madison-Morgan Cultural Center; and
- 15 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Jenkins was an active member of Madison
16 First United Methodist Church, where he served as a trustee and taught Sunday school; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Mr. Jenkins was a great supporter of his alma mater, serving as chair of the
18 University of Georgia's Law School Board of Visitors, secretary of the UGA Foundation, and
19 a member of the UGA Strategic Planning Group; and
- 20 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage for 44 wonderful years to Julie Green
21 Jenkins, and was blessed with three remarkable children, Felton, Emily, and Alan; and

22 WHEREAS, an avid adventurer, Mr. Jenkins climbed Mt. Hood and Mt. Kilimanjaro,
23 trekked to the South Base Camp of Mt. Everest, and completed the 33 mile Milford Track
24 in New Zealand; and

25 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern
26 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his
27 family and friends were admired by others; and

28 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
29 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness and, by the example he made of his life, he
30 made this world a better place in which to live; and

31 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Mr. Jenkins will long be remembered for
32 his love of golf, travel, family, and friendship, and this loyal husband, father, brother, uncle,
33 and friend will be missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing him.

34 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
35 join in honoring the life and memory of Mr. A. Felton Jenkins, Jr., and express their deepest
36 and most sincere regret at his passing.

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
38 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. A. Felton Jenkins, Jr.