

## Senate Resolution 237

By: Senators Jones of the 10th, Davenport of the 44th and Jeffares of the 17th

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Austin Nelson; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Austin Nelson was born on April 4, 1994, in McDonough, Georgia, and is the  
3 beloved son of Allen Nelson and Donna and Tommy Gilchrist; and
- 4 WHEREAS, this 16 year-old demonstrated great courage and selflessness when he helped  
5 save his elderly neighbors from a fire in their home; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Austin was walking home from a friend's house when he noticed smoke  
7 billowing oddly from a neighbor's chimney after it had caught fire; and
- 8 WHEREAS, with quick thinking and showing compassionate concern for another, Austin  
9 raced to the neighbor's home and warned the senior homeowners, Edward and Sarah Lois  
10 Duffy, that their chimney was on fire; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Austin called the fire department and used the homeowner's hose to abate the  
12 growing flames until help arrived; and
- 13 WHEREAS, a junior at Ola High School, Austin is a member of Skills USA, the FFA club,  
14 and the Air Force ROTC class; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Austin enjoys adventure and sports such as baseball, football, fishing, hunting,  
16 and four-wheeling; and
- 17 WHEREAS, it is only fitting and proper that this body recognize the brave and selfless  
18 actions of McDonough's hometown hero, Austin Nelson.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
20 recognize Austin Nelson for his heroic and life-saving actions and commend his impeccable  
21 character and courage.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
23 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Austin Nelson.