

Senate Resolution 476

By: Senators McKoon of the 29th, Seabaugh of the 28th, Williams of the 19th, Crosby of the 13th, Staton of the 18th and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Mr. Cason Jewell Callaway, 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. Cason Jewell Callaway, Jr., on March 20, 2011; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Callaway was born in LaGrange, Georgia, the beloved second of three
5 children of Virginia and Cason Callaway, Sr., the founders of Callaway Gardens in Pine
6 Mountain, Georgia; and
- 7 WHEREAS, affectionately known by family and friends as "Caso," Mr. Callaway graduated
8 from Episcopal High School in Alexandria, Virginia, where he would later go on to serve as
9 trustee emeritus, and attended The Citadel for two years; and
- 10 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
11 States Army, valiantly and courageously protecting his fellow Americans during World War
12 II; and
- 13 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Callaway was a founding member of St.
14 Nicholas Episcopal Church in Hamilton, donating five of the church's eight acres; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Mr. Callaway attended Bowling Green Business University Academy, worked
16 with Callaway Mills, founded Dixie Size and Chemical in Columbus, served as director of
17 the former Fourth National Bank in Columbus, helped develop commercial property around
18 the former Columbus Square Mall, and founded Callaway Blue Springs Water Company in
19 Harris County; and
- 20 WHEREAS, this generous community leader served the Boy Scouts of America as president
21 of the Georgia-Alabama Council and as a member of the national executive committee, was

22 a life-long member of the Callaway Foundation, and served on the board of the Smithsonian
23 Institute; and

24 WHEREAS, a quiet philanthropist, Mr. Callaway donated 50 acres in Russell County for
25 Chattahoochee Valley Community College; and

26 WHEREAS, Mr. Callaway was united in love and marriage to Nancy Hodges Callaway for
27 61 wonderful years and was blessed with four remarkable children, Phebe Callaway
28 Robertson, Cason Callaway III, Kenneth Hodges Callaway, and Florence Callaway Holmes;
29 11 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren; and

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

33 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Mr. Callaway will long be remembered for
34 his love of family and friendship, and this loyal brother, husband, father, grandfather, and
35 friend will be missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing him.

36 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
37 join in honoring the life and memory of Mr. Cason Jewell Callaway, Jr., and express their
38 deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
40 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. Cason Jewell
41 Callaway, Jr.