

Senate Resolution 1024

By: Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Shafer of the 48th, Loudermilk of the 52nd, Williams of the 19th and Miller of the 49th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Mark Ruskell; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Mark Ruskell has signed a letter of intent to play football for the Georgia State
3 University Panthers of Coach Bill Curry; and

4 WHEREAS, this superb athlete has had a tremendous high school career at Duluth High
5 School under Coach Corey Jarvis, playing both offense and defense and being named to the
6 all-region team in both his junior and senior years; and

7 WHEREAS, Georgia State head football coach Bill Curry has said that Mark is one of the
8 players in his incoming class of recruits who could play as a freshman; and

9 WHEREAS, it is highly unusual for a freshman to get playing time as a center due to the
10 amount of knowledge and understanding of the game of football necessary to excel at that
11 position; and

12 WHEREAS, of the many accolades Mark has received, the highest have been for his
13 knowledge of the game of football, his incredible gift of being able to read defenses, and his
14 solid leadership skills, all of which serve to make him a formidable player on the field; and

15 WHEREAS, Georgia State football fans everywhere are expecting tremendous
16 accomplishments from this 6' 2", 292 pound center and are eagerly awaiting the upcoming
17 football seasons to see him in action; and

18 WHEREAS, the phenomenal performance of this young man is a clear indication of his
19 outstanding athletic ability, his dedication and hard work, and his superb offensive and
20 defensive talents; and

21 WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper for this body to recognize the outstanding achievements
22 of this amazing athlete.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
24 offer their congratulations and commend Mark Ruskell on his signing with Georgia State
25 University and extend to him best wishes in his collegiate career.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
27 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mark Ruskell.