

## Senate Resolution 330

By: Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Ginn of the 47th, Bethel of the 54th, Heath of the 31st and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the Georgia Civil War Commission; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, the Georgia Civil War Commission, created in 1993 by the Georgia General  
3 Assembly, promotes heritage tourism; and

4 WHEREAS, its mandate is to coordinate planning, preservation, and promotion of structures,  
5 buildings, sites, and battlefields associated with this significant period of our common  
6 heritage; and

7 WHEREAS, the Georgia Civil War Commission in its 20 year history has developed a  
8 heritage plan promoting Georgia's heritage tourism and has provided incentives to local  
9 landowners and local governments to preserve Civil War battlefields and historic sites; and

10 WHEREAS, the Georgia Civil War Commission has acquired or provided funds for the  
11 acquisition of Civil War battlefields, cemeteries, and other historic properties in the past 20  
12 years; and

13 WHEREAS, it led the effort to save the Griswoldville and Resaca Battlefield from  
14 destruction, authored educational publications and promotions, such as the *Crossroads of*  
15 *Conflict, Georgia's Confederate Counties*, a commemorative poster of the Great Locomotive  
16 Chase that was given to the school systems located in the counties where the event took  
17 place, as well as the sesquicentennial showing of the Walt Disney Classic, *The Great*  
18 *Locomotive Chase*; and

19 WHEREAS, it has provided educational symposiums around this state and has worked with  
20 local communities on the establishment and erection of historical markers that promote  
21 heritage tourism as well as educational information in Georgia communities; and

22 WHEREAS, the Georgia Civil War Commission has sponsored legislation, proclamations,  
23 and resolutions that have not only promoted heritage tourism but promoted Georgia's Civil  
24 War heritage and legacy; and

25 WHEREAS, even during these hard economic times and with little funding, the Georgia  
26 Civil War Commission continues to promote Georgia's Civil War heritage tourism during  
27 the sesquicentennial of the War Between the States with a new logo, website, educational  
28 forums, historical markers, and publications.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
30 commend the members of the Georgia Civil War Commission for their dedication and  
31 commitment to the citizens of the State of Georgia and congratulate them on 20 years of  
32 service and promotion of Georgia's War Between the States heritage.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
34 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Georgia Civil War Commission.