

Senate Resolution 424

By: Senators Millar of the 40th, Carter of the 42nd, Ramsey, Sr. of the 43rd and Butler of the 55th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending John Frederick Agel, Sr., as the Distinguished Older Georgian for 2013; and
2 for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, John Frederick Agel, Sr., served his country nobly through service during
4 World War II; and

5 WHEREAS, he is still actively contributing to his state and community of DeKalb County,
6 Georgia, at 85 years of age; and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Agel has provided leadership to the Metro Atlanta community through his
8 corporate career and his community service with many social services organizations,
9 improving the quality of life for all residents; and

10 WHEREAS, he has attempted to retire twice and enjoy a life of leisure, only to become
11 further engaged as a volunteer when he sees the need for caring, committed services in his
12 community; and

13 WHEREAS, Mr. Agel continues to actively support Oglethorpe University, where he is an
14 alumnus, and St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church; and

15 WHEREAS, he was a founding director of Senior Connections, a member of its capital
16 campaign, and longtime Meals on Wheels volunteer, ensuring services to older DeKalb
17 County residents and their families; and

18 WHEREAS, Mr. Agel has demonstrated decades of commitment to social justice, the value
19 of public health, and the need for access to public health for all citizens through his service
20 as a founding member of the National Association of Local Boards of Health and the DeKalb
21 County Board of Health, which he chaired for many years; and

22 WHEREAS, his volunteer contributions have benefited the DeKalb County United Way
23 Council, DeKalb County Council on Literacy, Episcopal Charities Foundation, Jerusalem
24 House, and DeKalb County Community Services Board; and

25 WHEREAS, Mr. Agel exemplifies the attributes of a Distinguished Older Georgian who has
26 rendered services on a community, state, or federal level, has demonstrated a life's work that
27 has benefited a large number of people, has made a significant contribution to society
28 through his efforts, and is recognized as a role model for positive aging; and

29 WHEREAS, he is a person of strength and principle, and it fitting and proper that he be
30 appropriately recognized during Senior Week 2013.

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
32 heartily commend John Frederick Agel, Sr., for his dedicated and caring service to his
33 community and state and extend to him their most sincere best wishes for continued health
34 and happiness.

35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
36 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to John Frederick Agel, Sr.