

Senate Resolution 651

By: Senators Shafer of the 48th, Chance of the 16th, Miller of the 49th, Staton of the 18th, Wilkinson of the 50th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Mr. Jeffrey W. Foley on his service to the State of Georgia
2 and on the occasion of his retirement; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, shortly after the Office of the Secretary of the Senate was created in 1789, the
4 necessity for able assistance became apparent, resulting in the creation of the concomitant
5 office of Deputy Secretary of the Senate, the holder of which position has proudly served the
6 citizens of Georgia and the Georgia State Senate for over 200 years, most recently being
7 filled by the honorable Jeffrey Foley; and

8 WHEREAS, he was born in Montreal, Canada, grew up in Plattsburgh, New York, and
9 moved to Georgia, eventually becoming a United States citizen in 2004; and

10 WHEREAS, Jeffrey Foley was hired as a crew member for the 1985 session and went on to
11 manage the Senate session crew for many years before becoming Deputy Secretary in 2006;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, Jeffrey Foley has fulfilled his position as Deputy Secretary with not only daily
14 diligence and consistent dedication to duty, but has done so in his own inimitably gregarious
15 style, a style most likely and regretfully never to be repeated, a style which over the course
16 of almost three decades has served to support, encourage, enable, and entertain uncounted
17 numbers of fellow employees on the Georgia Senate staff, as well as hundreds of originally
18 wary but eventually grateful Senators; and

19 WHEREAS, he is known for his love of the outdoors and his annually anticipated oyster
20 roast; and

21 WHEREAS, he has been united in love and marriage to his wife, Kay, for 32 years and is
22 blessed with one son, West; and

23 WHEREAS, Jeffrey Foley has decided to enter into retirement from his 28 years of service
24 to the democratic government of the State of Georgia, leaving behind a respected, admirable
25 legacy of a job well done, as well as a personal standard for congeniality and cooperation we
26 can only hope will be emulated by his successors, taking with him into his retirement the
27 admiration and affection of nearly everyone he has met over the course of his career.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
29 commend Mr. Jeffrey W. Foley for an exemplary career and wish him nothing but the best
30 of health and happiness in his retirement.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
32 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to his Deputy and friend, Mr. Jeffrey W.
33 Foley.