

Senate Resolution 644

By: Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Hufstetler of the 52nd and Bethel of the 54th

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending David Dunn on his outstanding public service; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, this year marks the 50th anniversary of the landmark United States Supreme  
4 Court ruling *Gideon v. Wainwright*, a decision which held that state courts are required under  
5 the Constitution to provide counsel in criminal cases for defendants who are unable to afford  
6 to hire their own lawyers; and on this anniversary, the hard work and commitment of the  
7 Lookout Mountain Circuit Public Defender David Dunn is celebrated; and

8 WHEREAS, a person of significant organizational and leadership talents, David Dunn has  
9 long been recognized as one of the most ardent and vocal crusaders for justice; and

10 WHEREAS, he is a 1980 graduate of the University of Georgia and a 1983 graduate of the  
11 University of Georgia School of Law; and

12 WHEREAS, he has been a tireless advocate for justice during his entire 30 year career, and  
13 his experience as a prosecutor, private practice attorney, and Circuit Public Defender allows  
14 him to bring a unique insight to bear on the issues presented to him every day; and

15 WHEREAS, he is a mentor to young attorneys, a pioneer of the Georgia Public Defender  
16 Standards Council, and an active leader in the state-wide training programs of the council;  
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18 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this  
19 remarkable and distinguished individual be appropriately recognized.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
21 recognize and commend David Dunn for his efficient, effective, unselfish, and dedicated  
22 public service.

- 23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
24 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to David Dunn.