

Senate Resolution 694

By: Senator Mullis of the 53rd

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Mr. Stan Cooper on the occasion of his retirement; and for  
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Stan Cooper has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the  
4 vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare  
5 of the citizens of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, he has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,  
7 talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced  
8 dramatically by his superlative service with the Georgia Department of Corrections; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Cooper, a veteran of the United States Air Force and the Air National  
10 Guard, began his career with the Georgia Department of Corrections in 1987 as a  
11 surveillance officer with the Intensive Probation Supervision Team in the Dalton Probation  
12 Office; and

13 WHEREAS, over his more than 28 years of service to the State of Georgia, Mr. Cooper has  
14 served as a probation officer for the Lookout Mountain Judicial Circuit, been responsible  
15 for managing the Ringgold Probation Office and had oversight of the IPS/SPS programs,  
16 served as chief probation officer and operations coordinator for the Cherokee Judicial  
17 Circuit, and he will retire as the director for Probation Operations, a position where he  
18 provided oversight to 113 probation offices and 49 judicial circuits and supervised  
19 approximately 160,000 felony offenders; and

20 WHEREAS, he was instrumental in the implementation and success of Probation Operations'  
21 Ten Step Framework, which was designed to reduce offender recidivism by the use of  
22 innovative strategies, partnerships, and technology; and

23 WHEREAS, Mr. Cooper's significant organizational and leadership talents, his remarkable  
24 patience and diplomacy, his keen sense of vision, and his sensitivity to the needs of the  
25 citizens of this state have earned him the respect and admiration of his colleagues and  
26 associates; and

27 WHEREAS, Mr. Cooper has served with honor and distinction as the past president of the  
28 Georgia Probation Association and is a recipient of their highest honor, the Lee Broome  
29 Memorial Award; and

30 WHEREAS, his vision and unyielding commitment will be sorely missed upon the occasion  
31 of his retirement, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding  
32 accomplishments of this remarkable Georgian be appropriately recognized.

33 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
34 commend Mr. Stan Cooper for his efficient, effective, and dedicated service to the State of  
35 Georgia, congratulate him upon the grand occasion of his retirement, and extend to him their  
36 most sincere best wishes for continued health and happiness.

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
38 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Stan Cooper.