A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Old Suwanee Baptist Church on the celebration of its 185th

2 anniversary; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Old Suwanee Baptist Church is a local, independent Baptist church established

4 in 1828 after the biblical pattern found in the New Testament by pioneers who settled this

5 area in the early years of America; and

6 WHEREAS, Silas King, the Baptist minister who founded the church, was the first white
7 settler in the area, and his priority was to establish four churches; and

8 WHEREAS, he sold the property he owned to the railroad, and it became Buford, Georgia,
9 named after the president of the railroad, and Old Suwanee was the first church Silas King
10 established; and

11 WHEREAS, it is fitting that a church was the first institution established in the area where

12 early settlers realized they needed a church and God's help to establish a good community

13 in which to raise their families; and

WHEREAS, Old Suwanee Baptist Church continues to be a beacon of the hope and light ofthe Gospel to this date; and

WHEREAS, many things have changed over the years, but the church is still true to the same biblical foundation and preachings, as every family that adds their names to the roll becomes a steward of this godly heritage that has been passed on from generation to generation; and

19 WHEREAS, 185 years later, Old Suwanee is still true to its God-given mission; the same

20 biblical and timeless elements of worship and service are still employed to glorify God in His

21 church; and

- 22 WHEREAS, since 1828, the Bible has been lifted up as the sole authority for the faith and
- 23 practice of the believer because it has not changed and is still powerful in changing men's
- 24 lives today; and
- 25 WHEREAS, Old Suwanee Baptist Church is still committed to building a local, independent
- 26 New Testament Baptist church by the Word of God by preaching the Gospel, reaching
- 27 unbelievers with the Gospel, building lives by the preachings and teachings of the Bible,
- 28 reaching our world for Christ, and planting churches through Faith Promise Missions.
- 29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 30 recognize and commend Old Suwanee Baptist Church on the celebration of its 185th
- 31 anniversary.
- 32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 33 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Old Suwanee Baptist Church.