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Senate Resolution 927

By: Senators Carter of the 1st and Jackson of the 2nd

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring Mr. Jim Chavers; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia honors one of its most distinguished citizens, Mr. Jim
- 3 Chavers, the remaining living member of the 4th Marine Division that fought in World War
- 4 II's infamous Battle of Iwo Jima; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Mr. Chavers served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the
- 6 United States Marine Corps, valiantly and courageously protecting his fellow Americans
- 7 during World War II; and
- 8 WHEREAS, as a special tribute for Veterans Day, Savannah, Georgia's Frank W. Mobley
- 9 Lodge #7 recognized one of its own, Mr. Chavers, as the guest of honor at a public ceremony
- 10 the evening of November 12, 2012; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Mr. Chavers addressed a standing room only crowd and spoke about his life and
- 12 career, displaying memorabilia from the battlefield that he is donating to the World War II
- 13 Museum in New Orleans, Louisiana; and
- 14 WHEREAS, attendees attentively listened to Mr. Chavers as he detailed his experiences on
- 15 Iwo Jima, including witnessing the now iconic raising of the American flag on Mt. Suribachi;
- 16 and
- 17 WHEREAS, a detachment of United States Marines from Parris Island, South Carolina,
- 18 United States Representative Jack Kingston, National Fraternal Order of Police (FOP)
- 19 President Chuck Canterbury, and Georgia FOP President Carlton Stallings joined Frank W.
- 20 Mobley Lodge #7 President Aulmon Jiles and fellow lodge members to pay homage to Mr.
- 21 Chavers for his dedicated and selfless service; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Chavers joined the FOP during his 33 year career as a customs inspector

- 23 for the United States Customs Service; and
- 24 WHEREAS, Mr. Chavers is a man of magnanimous strengths who has served with honor and
- 25 distinction, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that the devotion to his community, state,
- and country of this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.
- 27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 28 join in honoring Mr. Jim Chavers for his selfless, dedicated, and patriotic service to the State
- 29 of Georgia and to the United States of America.
- 30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 31 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Jim Chavers.