

Senate Resolution 930

By: Senators James of the 35th, Seay of the 34th, Davis of the 22nd, Mullis of the 53rd, Fort of the 39th and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing Anthony Parker "AJ" Jones; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Anthony Parker "AJ" Jones was born on July 28, 1997, at Grady Memorial
3 Hospital in Atlanta, Georgia; and
- 4 WHEREAS, he weighed less than one pound at birth, and the doctors did not expect him to
5 live through the night, but God had another plan for this young man; and
- 6 WHEREAS, as a result of AJ's premature birth, he was diagnosed with cerebral palsy and
7 asthma; and
- 8 WHEREAS, the cerebral palsy prevents AJ from walking, sitting, or standing on his own;
9 he is developmentally delayed, but he has quite the sense of humor; and
- 10 WHEREAS, in 2012, he underwent spine fusion surgery due to severe scoliosis; he spent
11 eight weeks in bed unable to move any part of his body, but it was his love of music that got
12 him through the severe pain and difficulty of the recovery; and
- 13 WHEREAS, he is currently a student at the Joseph Sams School, has numerous friends, and
14 enjoys participating in extracurricular activities; and
- 15 WHEREAS, although he is confined to a wheelchair, AJ is a happy 16 year old young man
16 who loves to praise God, enjoys his life, and loves his family and church; and
- 17 WHEREAS, at the age of five, AJ was adopted by Henry and Patricia Jones and became a
18 permanent part of their lives; he has brought them so much joy and keeps them humble; and
- 19 WHEREAS, AJ allows Henry and Patricia to truly appreciate the little things that life has to
20 offer and continues to be a blessing to their entire family.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
22 recognize Anthony Parker "AJ" Jones for the incredible life he has lived thus far and express
23 their sincerest best wishes for continued health and happiness.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
25 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Anthony Parker "AJ" Jones.