

## Senate Resolution 962

By: Senators Butler of the 55th, Harbison of the 15th, Davis of the 22nd and Sims of the 12th

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending and recognizing Buddy Bryan; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, after Buddy Bryan's year as Muscogee County coroner, his work in the  
3 community is garnering state-wide recognition; and
- 4 WHEREAS, in 2013, Bryan took responsibility for an estimated 70 percent of the city's  
5 indigent deaths and undertook educational efforts for young mothers; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Bryan was named Coroner of the Year by the Child Fatality Review Panel; and
- 7 WHEREAS, he was humbled by the award, noting that without his staff, none of this would  
8 have been possible; and
- 9 WHEREAS, the Child Fatality Review Panel oversees each county's Child Fatality Review  
10 Committee, and the committees are tasked with determining the cause and circumstances  
11 around child deaths; and
- 12 WHEREAS, for the award, the panel considers each coroner and medical examiner in  
13 Georgia; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Bryan's focus recently has been on helping the homeless community in  
15 Muscogee County; and
- 16 WHEREAS, part of that effort will include collaborating with homeless shelters to create a  
17 registry so, if a death occurs, that person can be identified more easily; and
- 18 WHEREAS, this magnificent citizen has led by example, reaching out to those most  
19 vulnerable in his community, and it is only proper that he be recognized.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
21 commend and recognize Buddy Bryan for being named Coroner of the Year and for his  
22 involvement in the community of Muscogee County.

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 Buddy Bryan.