

Senate Resolution 1179

By: Senators Cowsert of the 46th and Ginn of the 47th

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Mr. Aaron Murray on his extraordinary accomplishments as a student-athlete  
2 with the University of Georgia football team and for his public service to the citizens of  
3 Georgia; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Aaron Murray enrolled as a student-athlete at the University of Georgia in  
5 Spring 2009; and

6 WHEREAS, he was quarterback of the University of Georgia Bulldogs football team from  
7 2010 until he suffered an ACL injury on November 23, 2013; and

8 WHEREAS, during Mr. Aaron Murray's time as quarterback, he set 27 Georgia records,  
9 including 12 career, nine season, and six game records, established four Southeastern  
10 Conference records, and became the first player in Southeastern Conference history to have  
11 at least 3,000 passing yards in four consecutive seasons; and

12 WHEREAS, he was named the 2013 Southeastern Conference Scholar-Athlete of the Year,  
13 only one of six Bulldogs to earn Academic All-America honors twice, the 13th Bulldog to  
14 be selected as a recipient of the National Scholar-Athlete Award, and a finalist for the  
15 Campbell Trophy, which recognizes the nation's top scholar-athlete; and

16 WHEREAS, in 2013, Mr. Aaron Murray was awarded the honor by his teammates as being  
17 voted the Vince Dooley Most Valuable Player and one of the team's permanent captains; and

18 WHEREAS, he received his bachelor's degree in Psychology in May, 2012, and started his  
19 doctorate degree in Industrial-Organizational Psychology at the University of Georgia; and

20 WHEREAS, Mr. Aaron Murray's scholarly and athletic achievements should not overshadow  
21 his involvement with the community, which was recognized in 2012 by the Allstate AFCA  
22 Good Works Team for his community service record; and

23 WHEREAS, during Mr. Aaron Murray's time at the University of Georgia, he was highly  
24 involved with groups within the community such as Extra Special People, Camp Sunshine,  
25 Special Olympics, American Association of Adapted Sports Programs, Read Across  
26 America, Healing Place of Athens, Bulldogs Battling Breast Cancer, and many more local  
27 elementary and middle schools and hospitals in the Athens, Atlanta, and Tampa, Florida  
28 areas; and

29 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the many accomplishments of Mr. Aaron  
30 Murray be appropriately recognized and commended.

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
32 commend Mr. Aaron Murray on his extraordinary accomplishments as a student-athlete with  
33 the University of Georgia football team and for his public service to the citizens of Georgia.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
35 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Aaron Murray.