

Senate Resolution 403

By: Senators Hill of the 4th, Shafer of the 48th, Cowsert of the 46th, Millar of the 40th, Tolleson of the 20th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Mr. Thomas "Tom" E. Daniel for his service and congratulating him on the
2 occasion of his retirement; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Thomas "Tom" E. Daniel was born on February 2, 1952, in Hogansville,
4 Georgia, and graduated from the University of Georgia in 1974; and

5 WHEREAS, he worked at different times as Administrative Aide, Campaign Coordinator,
6 and Administrative Assistant for Georgia's 76th Governor, George Busbee, and began his
7 distinguished service with the University System of Georgia over 30 years ago as Special
8 Assistant to the Chancellor of the University System of Georgia; and

9 WHEREAS, he is retiring from the University System of Georgia on June 30, 2015, as
10 Senior Vice Chancellor for External Affairs and has seen student enrollment nearly double
11 during his long tenure; and

12 WHEREAS, he has served under six chancellors, is completing his 40th legislative session,
13 and has been instrumental in passing legislation of significant benefit to higher education,
14 including the establishment of the HOPE scholarship in 1992 and its redesign in 2011; and

15 WHEREAS, he has tirelessly worked to educate elected leaders about the impact and
16 consequences to higher education and our public institutions of different legislations; and

17 WHEREAS, he exemplifies fairness and honesty in his every encounter and treats all he
18 meets with the utmost respect and professional courtesy; and

19 WHEREAS, Mr. Daniel has served with honor and distinction with the University System
20 of Georgia, and his vision and unyielding commitment will be sorely missed upon the
21 occasion of his retirement; and

22 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
23 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
25 commend Mr. Thomas "Tom" E. Daniel for his superlative service to the State of Georgia,
26 congratulate him upon the grand occasion of his retirement, and extend to him their most
27 sincere best wishes for continued health and happiness.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
29 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Mr. Thomas
30 "Tom" E. Daniel.