

Senate Resolution 990

By: Senators Thompson of the 5th, Sims of the 12th, Tippins of the 37th, Unterman of the 45th, Butler of the 55th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the Georgia State University football team for their record-breaking season;
2 and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Georgia State University football team competed in its sixth season of
4 football and third season in the Sun Belt Conference; and

5 WHEREAS, the team won its final four regular season games to become bowl eligible for
6 the first time and earn a berth in the AutoNation Cure Bowl; and

7 WHEREAS, head football coach Trent Miles was selected 2015 Sun Belt Conference Coach
8 of the Year for leading the Panthers to a 6-7 record and their first ever bowl appearance; and

9 WHEREAS, quarterback Nick Arbuckle was selected 2015 Sun Belt Conference
10 Student-Athlete of the Year for passing for 4,368 yards with 28 touchdowns and led the
11 conference with an average of 336 passing yards per game; and

12 WHEREAS, wide receiver Penny Hart was selected 2015 Freshman All-America and Sun
13 Belt Conference Freshman of the Year for leading the conference with 71 receptions and
14 1,099 yards; and

15 WHEREAS, these were the first coach of the year, player of the year, and freshman of the
16 year awards in Georgia State's six years of playing football; and

17 WHEREAS, quarterback Nick Arbuckle, wide receiver Penny Hart, wide receiver Robert
18 Davis, and safety Tarris Batiste were selected to the All-Sun Belt Conference First Team;
19 tight end Keith Rucker, linebacker Joseph Peterson, and place kicker/punter Wil Lutz were
20 selected to the All-Sun Belt Conference Second Team; wide receiver Donovan Harden,
21 defensive lineman Shawanye Lawrence, linebacker Alonzo McGee, and cornerback Chandon
22 Sullivan were selected to the All-Sun Belt Conference Honorable Mention Team; safety

23 Bobby Baker was selected to the All-Sun Belt Conference Newcomer Team; and cornerback
24 Chandon Sullivan was named to the Capital One Academic All-District Team; and

25 WHEREAS, through teamwork the Georgia State football team improved by five wins over
26 the previous year, ranking third among FBS programs.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
28 commend the Georgia State University football team for their record-breaking season and
29 wish them continued success.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
31 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the Georgia State
32 University football team.