

Senate Resolution 1156

By: Senators Butler of the 55th, Dugan of the 30th and James of the 35th

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Mark Alcaez, the 2015 Child Fatality Review Coroner of the  
2 Year; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mark Alcaez joined the Douglas County Coroner's Office in January, 2013,  
4 and in March, 2015, he was made Chief Deputy Coroner; and

5 WHEREAS, he is certified through the Georgia Public Safety Training Center and has  
6 completed courses in Drug Trends, Child Death Prevention, Child Abuse and Neglect, Sleep  
7 Related Death Investigation, and Annual Child Fatality Review Committee Training, and he  
8 currently serves on the Committee for County Sleep Related Death Awareness which  
9 educates the community via media, billboards, literature, and news outlets; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Alcaez has been involved with the community as a youth minister for 14  
11 years and a youth baseball coach for 12 years; and

12 WHEREAS, he is an invaluable asset to his CFR committee, has undertaken additional  
13 training, and is always looking to better himself in his service to the community; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Alcaez has made a tremendous impact within the coroner's office, and his  
15 eagerness to cooperate with local law enforcement and other agencies is demonstrated  
16 consistently in the outcome of the investigation; and

17 WHEREAS, he faithfully attends the CFR and Child Abuse Protocol meetings, and he is  
18 always prepared and contributes a wealth of information at each meeting; and

19 WHEREAS, although he has a very difficult job to do, he is very engaged, professional, and  
20 compassionate, and his death scene investigations are extremely thorough; and

21 WHEREAS, he is highly dedicated and very responsive, going above and beyond what is  
22 expected, even to the extent that he takes calls when he is on vacation with his family; and

23 WHEREAS, Mark Alcaez shows a great deal of patience, care, and kindness with families  
24 during times of grief and loss, and he is instrumental in educating the CFR members,  
25 providing a clear understanding of cause and manner of death, and enhancing the knowledge  
26 base of many committee members which improves the Douglas County CFR committee as  
27 a whole; and

28 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper for this body to recognize the outstanding  
29 accomplishments of this remarkable Georgian.

30 NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
31 recognize Mark Alcaez, the 2015 Child Fatality Review Coroner of the Year, and commend  
32 him for his outstanding service to his community and state.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
34 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Mark Alcaez.