

## Senate Resolution 55

By: Senator Gooch of the 51st

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Commissioner James Swafford on the occasion of his  
2 retirement; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Commissioner James Swafford has long been recognized by the citizens of this  
4 state for the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to  
5 the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, he has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,  
7 talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced  
8 dramatically by his superlative service as District 2 Commissioner for the Dawson County  
9 Board of Commissioners; and

10 WHEREAS, his invaluable leadership has greatly benefited Dawson County and is apparent  
11 in the extensive reduction of the county's debt; and

12 WHEREAS, Commissioner Swafford's significant organizational and management talents,  
13 his remarkable patience and diplomacy, his keen sense of vision, and his sensitivity to the  
14 needs of the citizens of this state have earned him the respect and admiration of his  
15 colleagues and associates; and

16 WHEREAS, he is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for  
17 integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and

18 WHEREAS, Commissioner Swafford served with honor and distinction for eight years, from  
19 2008 to 2016, with the Dawson County Board of Commissioners, and his unyielding  
20 commitment to overseeing the programs and services offered to Dawson County citizens  
21 have set the standard for public service; 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 recognize and commend Commissioner James Swafford for his efficient, effective, unselfish,  
26 and dedicated public service to the State of Georgia, congratulate him upon the grand  
27 occasion of his retirement, and extend the most sincere best wishes for continued health and  
28 happiness.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
30 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Commissioner  
31 James Swafford.