

Senate Resolution 343

By: Senators Gooch of the 51st, Miller of the 49th, Cowsert of the 46th, Wilkinson of the 50th and Walker III of the 20th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Sally Bell; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Sally Bell, a native Georgian, has been announced as one of six new honorees
3 of the Women's Basketball Hall of Fame; and
- 4 WHEREAS, she was born on October 30, 1953, in Dublin, Georgia, a beloved daughter of
5 Dr. and Mrs. Derrell Smalley, Sr.; and
- 6 WHEREAS, she earned her Bachelor of Science degree in education from the University of
7 Georgia and her Master of Arts degree in education from the University of North Georgia;
8 and
- 9 WHEREAS, she first began officiating basketball games at a high school in 1975 and went
10 on to referee for games in the NAIA, SEC, ACC, Big Ten, Big East and other conferences,
11 eventually being inducted into the Georgia Sports Hall of Fame in 2012; and
- 12 WHEREAS, a respected official, Sally has refereed several Final Fours and some of the
13 games during the 1996 Olympics and now coordinates other officials for the SEC and several
14 other conferences; and
- 15 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
16 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be recognized.
- 17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
18 recognize and commend Sally Bell for being named one of six new honorees of the Women's
19 Basketball Hall of Fame.
- 20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
21 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Sally Bell.