

Senate Resolution 1071

By: Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Hill of the 4th, Harbison of the 15th, Miller of the 49th, Butler of the 55th and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Lieutenant Governor Casey Cagle; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Casey Cagle was born on January 12, 1966, in Gainesville, Georgia; and
- 3 WHEREAS, he has been married to his high school sweetheart, Nita, for 31 years, is the
4 proud father of three sons, Jared, Grant, and Carter, and is grandfather to three remarkable
5 grandchildren, Everett Grace, Levi Mick, and Wimberly Sullivan; and
- 6 WHEREAS, at the age of 20, he opened his own business, a tuxedo shop and, at age 28, he
7 became the youngest member of the Georgia Senate; and
- 8 WHEREAS, he was re-elected five consecutive times to represent the 49th District in the
9 Georgia Senate and served as chairman of the Senate Finance Committee and as vice
10 chairman of the Senate Science and Technology Committee; and
- 11 WHEREAS, as a state senator, he championed legislation that would cut the state income tax
12 for the first time in history; and
- 13 WHEREAS, in 2006, the people of the State of Georgia elected him to serve as Lieutenant
14 Governor, which made him the first Republican ever selected to that office; and
- 15 WHEREAS, as Lieutenant Governor, he has supported tax cuts to make Georgia better for
16 business, and he led the effort to cut \$3 billion in government spending; and
- 17 WHEREAS, during his tenure as Lieutenant Governor, he has worked tirelessly to create a
18 pro-jobs culture throughout state government and to create an educational system that
19 focuses on the needs of individual children; and

20 WHEREAS, he was named one of the 100 most influential Georgians by *Georgia Trend*
21 *Magazine* in 2006; and

22 WHEREAS, he was one of four public servants in the nation to be honored by the National
23 Alliance for Public Charter Schools with the Champion for Charters Award; and

24 WHEREAS, he strongly advocated for the Charter Systems Act to improve education in this
25 state while providing a path to a career-based technical education; and

26 WHEREAS, he launched the Georgia College and Career Academy Network to equip
27 students with the tools they need to thrive in the modern economy; and

28 WHEREAS, his significant organizational and leadership talents, his remarkable patience
29 and diplomacy, his keen sense of vision, and his sensitivity to the needs of the citizens of this
30 state have earned him the respect and admiration of the citizens of Georgia and his
31 colleagues and associates; and

32 WHEREAS, as an avid triathlete, he leads "Healthy Kids Georgia" which encourages local
33 partnerships to help introduce children to healthy lifestyle choices and, under the slogan "Be
34 Fit. Be Healthy. Be You," he has worked with local communities to stem the tide of
35 childhood obesity by introducing children to ways to improve their health and wellness; and

36 WHEREAS, he has published his first book, *Education Unleashed*, which celebrates the
37 advancements made in education and outlines a vision for a public education system that will
38 lead Georgia to have the world's strongest labor force; and

39 WHEREAS, he has worked this session to provide Georgians with an historic reduction in
40 income taxes to relieve a portion of the tax burden which they bear; and

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

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

45 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
46 recognize and commend the Honorable Casey Cagle, Lieutenant Governor of the State of

47 Georgia, for his outstanding life of service to the citizens of this state and for his significant
48 contributions to the lives of Georgians and his many accomplishments and achievements.

49 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
50 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Lieutenant
51 Governor Cagle.