

Senate Resolution 279

By: Senators Jackson of the 2nd and Harbison of the 15th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending, Steven R. Ewing; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Steven R. Ewing is president and CEO of Wade Ford in Smyrna, Georgia, one
3 of America's largest African American-owned Ford dealerships; and
- 4 WHEREAS, although Steven purchased Wade Ford in 2002, the franchise has been a staple
5 in the Metro Atlanta market since 1933 and currently consists of three properties on South
6 Cobb drive; and
- 7 WHEREAS, in 2010, Steven expanded Wade Ford by opening the Wade Ford's Motor Trend
8 Certified Advantage program; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Steven began his career at Apple Chevrolet in Fairlawn, New Jersey, in 1983;
10 he purchased his first dealership, Crossroads Ford, in 1989, and later took the position of
11 interim operator with Ford Motor Company, where he was responsible for managing
12 Ford-owned franchises; and
- 13 WHEREAS, in 1993, Steven left Ford Motor Company to open Champion Ford and opened
14 subsequent dealerships in 1998 and 1999, all three of which he successfully ran until 2002,
15 when he sold all of them, moved to Atlanta, and purchased Wade Ford; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Steven earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Delaware State University and
17 is a board member of the Southeast Ford Dealer Advertising Association; he is past president
18 and chairman of FMMDA and a member of Ford Motor Company's Marketing Dealer
19 Advisory Board; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Steven is a proud husband and father who enjoys traveling with his wife, Terri;
21 daughter, Halle; and son, Steven.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
23 commend Steven R. Ewing for his entrepreneurship and business contributions to the State
24 of Georgia and extend to him best wishes for continued success.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
26 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Steven R. Ewing.