

Senate Resolution 624

By: Senator Jackson of the 2nd

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Albert J. Scott; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Albert J. Scott has a long and consistent record of service to the community and
3 this state and has been recognized as one of the most dynamic and committed civic citizens
4 in Georgia; and

5 WHEREAS, this outstanding civil servant has had a tremendous impact on his community
6 through his spirit of service and desire to improve the quality of life in the State of Georgia,
7 currently serving as the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners of Chatham County; and

8 WHEREAS, this remarkable gentleman has established a glowing reputation of renown
9 throughout Georgia for his dedication and high ideals; and

10 WHEREAS, as a member of the Georgia House of Representatives, he served on the House
11 Reapportionment Committee, sponsored the *Truth in Taxation* law and the *Automobile*
12 *Insurance Rate Reform* legislation, and secured funding for the relocation of the King-Tisdell
13 Cottage to save it from demolition; and

14 WHEREAS, as a member of the Georgia Senate, he made history as the first African
15 American elected to the Senate from Chatham County, and the first person of color to serve
16 since Reconstruction; and

17 WHEREAS, while in the Senate, he was ranked as 1 of the 10 most influential legislators in
18 Georgia by *The Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, and chaired the Consumer Affairs, Children
19 and Youth, and Industry and Public Utilities committees as well as the Georgia Legislative
20 Black Caucus; and

21 WHEREAS, Al Scott became the first African American to ever hold a nonjudicial
22 constitutional office in Georgia when Governor Zell Miller appointed him as Georgia Labor
23 Commissioner; and

24 WHEREAS, after leaving the Department of Labor, he served on the State Board of
25 Education as well as secretary, vice chair, and chairman of the Georgia Ports Authority; and

26 WHEREAS, Al Scott has been dedicated to providing continuing innovation to the State of
27 Georgia and remains steadfastly committed to the principles of skill, integrity, and
28 responsibility; and

29 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
30 extraordinary gentleman be appropriately recognized.

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
32 commend Albert J. Scott on his many outstanding contributions on behalf of the citizens of
33 Georgia and extend best wishes for his continued success.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
35 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Albert J. Scott.