

Senate Resolution 69

By: Senators Burns of the 23rd, Anderson of the 24th, Ginn of the 47th and Jones II of the 22nd

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending McDuffie County upon the grand occasion of its 150th
2 anniversary; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, created on October 18, 1870, by an Act of the Georgia General Assembly,
4 McDuffie County is home to the Town of Dearing and the City of Thomson; and

5 WHEREAS, a cultural and historical hotspot, McDuffie County features 16 sites listed on
6 the National Register of Historic Places, including the oldest stone house in Georgia, The
7 Rock House; and

8 WHEREAS, McDuffie County represents the birthplace of Rear Admiral Richard E. Hawes,
9 World War II hero and namesake of the *USS Hawes*; Ray Guy, NFL Hall of Fame punter;
10 and William Samuel McTier (Blind Willie McTell), famous blues artist who wrote the song
11 "Statesboro Blues"; and

12 WHEREAS, McDuffie County celebrated its vibrant 150 year history with the publication
13 of books written by Chase Beggs and Lewis and JoAnn Smith in honor of the county's
14 anniversary.

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
16 recognize and commend McDuffie County upon the grand occasion of its 150th anniversary
17 and extend best wishes for continued growth and prosperity.

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
19 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the public and the
20 press.