

Senate Resolution 571

By: Senators Thompson of the 14th, Miller of the 49th, Harbin of the 16th, Hickman of the 4th, McNeill of the 3rd and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Milton "Buddy" Blankinship; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Milton "Buddy" Blankinship has long been a pillar of the Cherokee County
3 community over the course of his many years there, providing invaluable services that
4 improve the environment and create jobs while serving as a mentor and promoting
5 conservative government through his support of numerous Republican candidates for elected
6 office; and

7 WHEREAS, Blankinship has improved and beautified the environment in Cherokee County
8 as the owner of Blankinship Sand, established 50 years ago and continuing in operation
9 today, having dredged and cleaned the rivers and streams of more than 100 million tons of
10 silt, sand, and erosion that has accumulated and blocked the flow of water; and

11 WHEREAS, Blankinship continues to be a good steward of the environment and resources
12 as a recycler of trucks, buses, and other industrial equipment, restoring them to functional
13 use and creating jobs at the same time; and

14 WHEREAS, Blankinship's entrepreneurial vision has created many good-paying jobs for the
15 people in his community, providing employees with the means to provide for their families
16 and giving them opportunities to improve, learn new skills, and grow professionally; and

17 WHEREAS, Blankinship has helped countless people save money and make money through
18 the selling of discounted products; and

19 WHEREAS, Blankinship has further shown his love for the environment through his love
20 of farming his North Georgia land; and

21 WHEREAS, Blankinship has been a living example of what is most important in life, having
22 been the provider for, protector of, and counselor to Christine, his wife of 58 years, until her
23 recent passing; father to his children, Troy, Cheryl, Darrell, Kristi, and Calvin; grandfather
24 to 19 grandchildren; and great-grandfather to 11 great-grandchildren; and

25 WHEREAS, by the example Blankinship has made of his life, he has made this world a
26 better place in which to live, and it is only fitting and proper that he be appropriately
27 honored.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
29 recognize and commend Milton "Buddy" Blankinship for his long and faithful service to his
30 family, to his community, and to the people of Cherokee County and the State of Georgia,
31 for whom he has improved and beautified the environment while creating jobs and providing
32 the means by which his employees provide for their families.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
34 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Milton "Buddy"
35 Blankinship.