

Senate Resolution 789

By: Senators Kennedy of the 18th, Walker III of the 20th, Lucas of the 26th, Kirk of the 13th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Blue Bird Corporation for providing transportation
2 solutions since 1927; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Blue Bird Corporation was founded by Albert L. Luce, Jr., in 1927; and

4 WHEREAS, Blue Bird Corporation is a world renowned manufacturer of school buses and
5 other forms of transit; and

6 WHEREAS, Blue Bird Corporation is headquartered in Fort Valley, Georgia, and employs
7 over 2,100 individuals; and

8 WHEREAS, Blue Bird Corporation is currently led by President and CEO, Phil Horlock; and

9 WHEREAS, Blue Bird Corporation currently manufactures three models of school buses,
10 the "Micro Bird," "Vision," and "All-American," with the latter two being assembled in Fort
11 Valley, Georgia; and

12 WHEREAS, Blue Bird Corporation serves markets in more than 60 countries worldwide; and

13 WHEREAS, Blue Bird Corporation has sold over 550,000 buses since its inception in 1927
14 and has approximately 180,000 buses in operation today; and

15 WHEREAS, Blue Bird Corporation is an industry leader in alternative fuel bus technology
16 and was recently awarded a \$4.4 million grant from the United States Department of Energy;
17 and

18 WHEREAS, Blue Bird Corporation will continue to be the world leader in the bus
19 transportation industry; and

20 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
21 extraordinary company be appropriately recognized.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that members of this body
23 recognize and commend Blue Bird Corporation for its many outstanding contributions on
24 behalf of the citizens of Georgia and extend best wishes for its continued growth,
25 development, and success.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized to and directed
27 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the Blue Bird
28 Corporation.