

Senate Resolution 234

By: Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Harper of the 7th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Bruce Widener for his many years of service; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Bruce Widener has represented various associations and corporations at the
4 Georgia State Capitol for 49 sessions; and

5 WHEREAS, he was elected to the Georgia House of Representatives, in 1980, where he
6 served on the Natural Resources, Transportation, and Motor Vehicles committees; and

7 WHEREAS, the 2021 Legislative Session will be his final session due to his eminent and
8 well-earned retirement to Lake Hartwell; and

9 WHEREAS, during his time at the Georgia State Capitol, he has advocated on behalf of over
10 20 various associations and corporations, helping to enact legislation that benefits both
11 Georgia and the industries he represented; and

12 WHEREAS, his legislative impacts have included sweeping reforms to professional licensure
13 laws, clearing massive regulatory costs and fees, promoting consumer choice and safety,
14 protecting precious natural resources like groundwater, and much more; and

15 WHEREAS, he is a proud 1970 graduate of the University of Georgia with a Bachelor of
16 Business Administration in general business; and

17 WHEREAS, he is a proud veteran of the United States Military; and

18 WHEREAS, he serves on the National Rifle Association National Gun Collector Committee;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, he is married to Ashley Griffin Widener, who also represented the Georgia
21 Pharmacy Association before joining Widener & Associates Inc.; and

22 WHEREAS, his daughter, a graduate of Washington and Lee University who has worked as
23 a CPA for Price Waterhouse Cooper, is now a stay-at-home mother of three rambunctious
24 boys; and

25 WHEREAS, he has a son who is an orthopaedic surgeon and partner with Resurgens
26 Orthopaedic, practicing in Canton, Georgia; a graduate of the University of the South and the
27 Medical College of Georgia; and a father to two lovely children; and

28 WHEREAS, he has a daughter who is a graduate of Clemson University, a videographer for
29 Furman University, and a talented entrepreneur; and

30 WHEREAS, Mr. Tucker Green will be taking his place in representing the multiple
31 industries for which he passionately advocated at the state capitol.

32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
33 recognize and commend Bruce Widener for his efficient, effective, unselfish, and dedicated

34 public service to the State of Georgia; congratulate him upon the grand occasion of his
35 retirement; and extend the most sincere best wishes for continued health and happiness.

36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
37 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Bruce Widener.