

## Senate Resolution 76

By: Senators Anderson of the 24th, Watson of the 11th, Goodman of the 8th, Summers of the 13th, Walker III of the 20th and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Congratulating Robert L. Strother, the 2023-2024 Georgia Logger of the Year; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Robert L. Strother was recently named the 2023-2024 Georgia Logger of the  
4 Year by the Georgia Forestry Association (GFA) and the Southeastern Wood Producers  
5 Association (SWPA) in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the forestry supply  
6 chain; and

7 WHEREAS, the Logger of the Year Award honors individuals who are nominated by the  
8 forestry community and evaluated by a professional committee for their exceptional service  
9 and impact on the timber industry; and

10 WHEREAS, a third-generation logger, Robert L. Strother has upheld a family tradition that  
11 began with his grandfather in the 1930s, and he has further extended this legacy through his  
12 son—the fourth generation of Strothers in the logging industry; and

13 WHEREAS, he began his distinguished logging career in 2000 and has since maintained his  
14 family's deep roots in the community, which include delivering the first load of wood to  
15 Georgia Pacific's Warrenton Mill in the late 1960s; and

16 WHEREAS, he currently leads the Strother Timber Company, which operates with four  
17 logging crews and a fleet of 20 company trucks as well as hauls an average of 240 loads of  
18 wood per week throughout the middle Georgia region; and

19 WHEREAS, as further testament to his dedication to the forestry community, he sponsors  
20 GFA's Northeast Georgia Regional Forestry Meeting, participates in local GFA and SWPA  
21 activities, and regularly hosts University of Georgia Warnell School of Forestry and Natural  
22 Resources students for tours of his harvesting operations; and

23 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this outstanding Georgian be  
24 appropriately honored during this special time.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
26 congratulate Robert L. Strother upon being named the 2023-2024 Georgia Logger of the  
27 Year and extend the most sincere best wishes for continued success.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
29 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Robert L. Strother.