

Senate Resolution 578

By: Senators Anavitarte of the 31st, Burns of the 23rd, Hatchett of the 50th, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Bearden of the 30th and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Al Ciraldo Jr.; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Al Ciraldo Jr. has served as a spotter for the Georgia Institute of Technology's
3 (Georgia Tech) football broadcasts for more than five decades; and
- 4 WHEREAS, spotters perform a vital role in sports broadcasting by identifying players in real
5 time; providing statistics, substitutions, and historical context during broadcasts; as well as
6 using hand signals, binoculars, and quick identification skills to ensure broadcast accuracy;
7 and
- 8 WHEREAS, at the age of 16, Al Ciraldo Jr. stepped into the role of spotter for his father,
9 legendary Georgia Tech broadcaster Al Ciraldo Sr.; and
- 10 WHEREAS, since 1975, Al Ciraldo Jr. has contributed his exceptional precision, humility,
11 and historical knowledge to the broadcasts of over 500 Georgia Tech football games; and
- 12 WHEREAS, representing a rare legacy of multi-generational service to Georgia Tech
13 athletics, Al Ciraldo Jr. now broadcasts from the Bobby Dodd Stadium radio booth named
14 for his father; and

15 WHEREAS, in addition to broadcasting, Al Ciraldo Jr. built a successful career in
16 commercial real estate and is a dedicated husband and father of two sons; and

17 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that Al Ciraldo Jr. is recognized for his over
18 50 years of behind-the-scenes work that has been central to the enjoyment and accuracy of
19 thousands of Georgia Tech fans.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
21 recognize and commend Al Ciraldo Jr. for his outstanding contributions to the Georgia
22 Institute of Technology and sports broadcasting.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
24 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Al Ciraldo Jr.