

## Senate Resolution 891

By: Senators Anderson of the 24th, Goodman of the 8th, Watson of the 11th, Sims of the 12th and Echols of the 49th

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the accomplishments of the Georgia Wildlife Federation; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, in 1936, concerned hunters and anglers were alarmed by the dramatic decline  
3 of Georgia's wildlife populations—particularly white-tailed deer and wild turkey—and,  
4 recognizing the urgent need for action, traveled to Washington, D.C., to attend the first North  
5 American Wildlife Conference; and
- 6 WHEREAS, inspired by that gathering and committed to restoring Georgia's wildlife and  
7 natural resources, these leaders founded the Georgia Wildlife Federation to promote  
8 science-based conservation, foster knowledge and appreciation of the outdoors, support  
9 responsible outdoor recreation, and secure funding to conserve Georgia's wildlife, forests,  
10 waters, and habitats; and
- 11 WHEREAS, for 90 years, the leaders, members, partners, volunteers, and supporters of the  
12 Georgia Wildlife Federation have played an instrumental role in advancing wildlife and  
13 natural resource conservation across Georgia—from early efforts to restore game species and  
14 support the establishment of Georgia's wildlife agency to continued leadership in statewide  
15 conservation planning efforts; and

16 WHEREAS, the Georgia Wildlife Federation has helped build broad public support for  
17 dedicated conservation funding essential to wildlife restoration, public access, and habitat  
18 protection—from early advocacy for the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act to more  
19 recent support for the Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Program, ensuring long-term investment  
20 in Georgia's lands and waters; and

21 WHEREAS, the Georgia Wildlife Federation has encouraged generations of Georgians to  
22 value and responsibly enjoy the outdoors through conservation education and ethical  
23 participation in hunting, angling, and other outdoor traditions while expanding opportunities  
24 for young people, women, and new audiences to engage in conservation and stewardship;  
25 and

26 WHEREAS, over nine decades, the Georgia Wildlife Federation has earned statewide  
27 recognition as a trusted and respected conservation organization, building enduring  
28 partnerships with state agencies, conservation organizations, landowners, and community  
29 leaders to advance practical, science-based solutions that benefit Georgia's natural resources  
30 in every region of the state.

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
32 extend their sincere appreciation to the Georgia Wildlife Federation's Board of Directors,  
33 leaders, members, partners, volunteers, and supporters—past and present—for their  
34 dedication to conservation and stewardship for the benefit of all Georgians.

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