

Senate Resolution 103

By: Senator Golden of the 8th

A RESOLUTION

1 Congratulating the Valdosta State University Blazers, 2012 NCAA Division II Football
2 National Champions; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, on December 15, 2012, in front of a crowd of 7,527 at Braly Municipal Stadium
4 in Florence, Alabama, the Valdosta State University Blazers defeated the Winston-Salem
5 State University Rams by a score of 35-7 to win the coveted 2012 NCAA Division II
6 Football National Championship; and

7 WHEREAS, the championship game was a spirited affair that saw the Blazers tally 207 yards
8 rushing and three touchdowns, while intercepting three passes and recovering three fumbles;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, having won two previous NCAA Division II Football National Championship
11 titles in 2004 and 2007, and six Gulf South Conference football championships in 1996,
12 2000, 2001, 2002, 2004, and 2010, this year's winning season continues the proud tradition
13 of excellence for Blazers football; and

14 WHEREAS, under the leadership of head coach David Dean, the Blazers football team has
15 displayed exemplary perseverance, character, and sportsmanship in finishing their 2012
16 season with an impressive record of 12 wins and 2 losses; and

17 WHEREAS, Valdosta State University and the Blazers football team have shown themselves
18 to be worthy representatives of Georgia in national competition; and

19 WHEREAS, the Valdosta State University Blazers continue to be an inspiration and an asset
20 to Georgia and the Valdosta community.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the Valdosta State
22 University Blazers football team is congratulated as 2012 NCAA Division II Football
23 National Champions.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
25 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Valdosta State University Blazers
26 football team.