

Senate Resolution 1167

By: Senators Miller of the 49th, Millar of the 40th, Mullis of the 53rd, Unterman of the 45th, Cowsert of the 46th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Senator David Shafer on his many years of service to his
2 community and state; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Senator David Shafer has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for
4 the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the
5 welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, Senator Shafer was first elected to the Georgia Senate in 2002 to represent
7 Senate District 48, which includes portions of Fulton and Gwinnett Counties, since which
8 time he has represented the district dutifully and devotedly; and

9 WHEREAS, in 2013, Senator Shafer was unanimously elected the 68th President Pro
10 Tempore of the Georgia Senate, a position to which he was reelected twice; and

11 WHEREAS, Senator Shafer is very involved in his community, as evidenced by his
12 involvement with many important organizations, including the Gwinnett Chamber of
13 Commerce Board of Directors, the Gwinnett County Library System Board of Trustees, the
14 former Gwinnett-Forsyth Regional Library System Board of Trustees, the Board of Directors
15 for United Cerebral Palsy of Greater Atlanta, the Partnership Against Domestic Violence
16 Board of Directors (formerly Georgia Council on Battered Women), the Board of Visitors
17 of the University of Georgia, and the Board of Directors of the University of Georgia Alumni
18 Association; and

19 WHEREAS, Senator Shafer is a product of Georgia's outstanding public education system,
20 having attended public school in DeKalb County and the University of Georgia, where he
21 studied government; and

22 WHEREAS, the only roles more valuable to Senator Shafer than public servant are those of
23 husband to his wife Lee and father to his daughter Ellie and stepson J.W.; and

24 WHEREAS, during Senator Shafer's impressive tenure in the Georgia Senate, he has served
25 with honor and selflessness and has worked tirelessly to improve the lives of all Georgians;
26 and

27 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
28 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
30 recognize and commend Senator David Shafer for his efficient, effective, unselfish, and
31 dedicated public service to the State of Georgia and extend their most sincere best wishes for
32 continued success.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
34 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Senator David
35 Shafer.