Senate Resolution 158

By: Senators Merritt of the 9th, Jackson of the 41st, Harrell of the 40th, Jordan of the 6th, Au
of the 48th and others

A RESOLUTION

1   Recognizing and commending Matthew Elder; and for other purposes.

2   WHEREAS, Matthew Elder has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the vital

3   role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the

4   citizens of Gwinnett County; and

5   WHEREAS, he has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,

6   talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state, as evidenced

7   dramatically by his superlative service with the HomeFirst Gwinnett Initiative; and

8   WHEREAS, alongside his work as founding director of HomeFirst Gwinnett, he has further

9   served his community in various roles, including as the at-large district appointee on the

10 Gwinnett Planning Commission; and

11 WHEREAS, dedicated to improving the lives of those in need, he has worked with multiple

12 community stakeholders to redevelop the homeless response in Gwinnett County and

13 developed new shelter, rental assistance, and eviction intervention programming to provide

14 help to those affected by the COVID-19 pandemic; and

15   WHEREAS, this distinguished gentleman has given inspiration to many through his high

16   ideals, morals, and deep concern for his fellow citizens, and it is abundantly fitting and

17   proper that his many outstanding contributions be appropriately recognized.

18   NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body

19   recognize and commend Matthew Elder for his efficient, effective, unselfish, and dedicated

20   service to the State of Georgia extend the most sincere best wishes for continued health and

21   happiness.

22   BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed

23   to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Matthew Elder.