

Senate Resolution 161

By: Senators Rahman of the 5th, Jackson of the 2nd, Merritt of the 9th, Goodman of the 8th, Butler of the 55th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life and memory of Syed Raian Islam; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest young citizens with the tragic passing
3 of Syed Raian Islam, who lost his life unexpectedly on November 1, 2020, at the age of 27;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, Syed Islam was born on April 26, 1993, the son of Mohamed Minhazul Islam
6 and Irene Islam in New York City, New York, and he moved to Georgia as a teenager; and

7 WHEREAS, Syed Islam was an exceptional young man who was a leader at college and in
8 his career and was a role model to all who knew him, especially his younger brother; and

9 WHEREAS, Syed showed extraordinary abilities, being elected vice president and treasurer
10 of the Student Government at Georgia Gwinnett College and president of the International
11 Student Association; and

12 WHEREAS, Syed was only 27 years old at the time of his passing and had already become
13 very successful in his career in banking; and

14 WHEREAS, he remained active in his community, regularly donating blood and
15 participating in the campaign to elect Senator Rahman to the Georgia State Senate; and

16 WHEREAS, Syed was an athlete who loved to play sports as much as he did watching and
17 was an avid fan of his hometown team, the Atlanta United; and

18 WHEREAS, Syed was a man who loved Allah, always put others above himself, encouraged
19 others to do their best, and was known most of all for his empathetic heart and love for his
20 family.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
22 honor the life and memory of Syed Raian Islam and express their most sincere condolences
23 at his passing.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
25 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the family of Syed
26 Raian Islam.