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Senate Resolution 211

By: Senator Merritt of the 9th

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Aziz Dhanani; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Aziz Dhanani immigrated to the United States from India at a very young age
- 3 to receive his higher education, but he could not continue due to his father passing away and
- 4 losing financial support; and
- 5 WHEREAS, despite all challenges in his new country, he demonstrated profound resiliency
- 6 and dedication by overcoming the language barrier and becoming a very successful
- 7 businessman; and
- 8 WHEREAS, driven by his natural desire to help the needy, he became a philanthropist,
- 9 sharing with those in need in Georgia, in the United States, and around the globe regardless
- 10 of the recipient's faith, ethnicity, color, or gender; and
- WHEREAS, Aziz Dhanani has initiated and completed many projects to build places of
- worship and learning institutions in Georgia, the United States, and other countries; and
- WHEREAS, he is one of the top most influential Muslims in Georgia due to his service in
- 14 the community; and

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15 WHEREAS, Aziz Dhanani led efforts to deliver PPE during extreme shortages to first

- 16 responders, hospitals, and nursing homes and to provide sustenance items to deserving
- 17 individuals during COVID-19 in Georgia; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Aziz Dhanani participated in and financially supported an advocacy group,
- 19 Voices of Muslims, and encouraged Muslims to exercise their constitutional right to vote;
- 20 and
- 21 WHEREAS, he supported many candidates at the city, county, state, and federal levels,
- believing that honest people should govern our country and provide justice and equality to
- 23 all regardless of color, ethnicity, gender, or social class; and
- 24 WHEREAS, he continues to sponsor many charitable organizations, such as Glitter of Hope,
- 25 Muslims of USA, and Janaza Services as well as many learning institutions in Georgia and
- 26 the United States; and
- 27 WHEREAS, Aziz Dhanani sits on the board of directors of many organizations, providing
- 28 wisdom and hands-on experience; and
- 29 WHEREAS, Aziz Dhanani lives in Duluth, Georgia, with his family, instilling the value of
- 30 giving into his children.
- 31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 32 recognize and commend Aziz Dhanani for his dedication to the betterment of Georgia and
- 33 the United States.

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

35 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Aziz Dhanani.