

Senate Resolution 251

By: Senators McKoon of the 29th and Crane of the 28th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life and memory of Mr. Walter Johnson Lukken; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of Mr. Walter Johnson Lukken, who
3 passed on January 23, 2013, at the age of 85; and

4 WHEREAS, he was born December 18, 1927, in Worthing, South Dakota, son of the late
5 Lewis Lukken and Genevieve Ardell Lukken; and

6 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
7 States Army; and

8 WHEREAS, Walter Lukken received his Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of
9 Nebraska and was a graduate of General Motors Technical Institute; and

10 WHEREAS, he was the president of Dealer's Transit in Chicago, Illinois, and founder and
11 owner of Lukken Chevrolet Oldsmobile and owner of LaGrange Express in LaGrange,
12 Georgia; and

13 WHEREAS, Walter Lukken was also an active member of the Highland Country Club,
14 former member of the Rotary Club of LaGrange, and he served on numerous boards and
15 organizations, including two terms as the president of the Chamber of Commerce, chairman
16 and director of the LaGrange Industrial Authority, chairman of the Troup County Republican
17 Party, and board member of the C&S Bank; and

18 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, he was an active member of First United
19 Methodist Church of LaGrange; and

20 WHEREAS, he was preceded in death by his first wife, Mollie Healy Lukken and brother,
21 Wayne Lukken; and

22 WHEREAS, survivors include his wife, Margaret "Peggy" Lukken, seven children, Deborah,
23 Walter, Laura, Carolyn, Peter, Fredrick, and Amanda, two stepchildren, Charles and
24 Kimberly, 18 grandchildren, two sisters, Mary Ann and Joanne, and numerous nieces and
25 nephews; and

26 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Walter Lukken will long be remembered
27 for his love of family and friendship, and he will be missed by all who had the great fortune
28 of knowing him.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
30 join in honoring the life and memory of Mr. Walter Johnson Lukken and express their
31 deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
33 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. Walter Johnson
34 Lukken.