

Senate Resolution 322

By: Senators Watson of the 1st, Echols of the 49th, Anderson of the 24th, Jackson of the 41st, Hodges of the 3rd and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Mr. David Robert Clark; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Mr. David Robert Clark is a resident of Fleming, Georgia, in Liberty County;
3 and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Clark has given innumerable hours of his time and energy to the mission
5 of saving lives through blood donation; and

6 WHEREAS, he has recently been recognized by the American Red Cross for his dedicated
7 service to saving lives through blood donation; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Clark first donated blood in 1972 after his wife was the recipient of a blood
9 donation; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Clark has reached a major milestone with more than 50 years of dedicated
11 blood donation; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Clark has consistently donated blood every 56 days for over 50 years,
13 totaling more than 30 gallons of blood; and

14 WHEREAS, his consistency has inspired all four of his children as well as his grandchildren
15 to donate lifesaving blood; and

16 WHEREAS, this distinguished gentleman has given inspiration to many through his
17 commitment; and

18 WHEREAS, his strength of character and his concern for his fellow citizens deserves
19 recognition; and

20 WHEREAS, we salute his contributions and his efforts to make the world a better place; and

21 WHEREAS, during his many years of being a blood donor, Mr. Clark has learned that there
22 is a huge need for blood yet unfortunately only a small percentage of eligible people donate;
23 and

24 WHEREAS, blood transfusions are one of the most common hospital procedures in the
25 United States, yet only 3 percent of the public gives blood; and

26 WHEREAS, blood donation is an act of service and those who donate will have such a great
27 feeling after choosing to donate by knowing they helped save a life; and

28 WHEREAS, most items of value have a price tag, and thanks to the American Red Cross,
29 the most important component of human life is free for patients in need; and

30 WHEREAS, we believe that Georgians should consider following Mr. Clark's lead and make
31 an appointment to donate blood or platelets for patients in need; and

32 WHEREAS, Georgians can visit www.redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-RED-CROSS to find
33 locations to donate.

34 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
35 commend Mr. David Robert Clark for his unselfish dedication and devotion to saving lives
36 and helping others as well as thank him for his strong character and the example he sets for
37 all Georgians.

38 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
39 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Mr. David Robert
40 Clark.