

Senate Resolution 357

By: Senators Butler of the 55th, Parent of the 42nd, Tate of the 38th, Harrell of the 40th, Davenport of the 44th and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Truth and Union Lodge #594; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Truth and Union Lodge #594 has a steadfast, positive, and unwavering record
3 of service and contributions to the State of Georgia, providing thousands of hours of
4 community service just in the last year alone; and
- 5 WHEREAS, those hours include monthly mobile food drives with New Bethel AME,
6 distributing an average of 9,500 pounds of food, as well as quarterly food distributions to
7 senior citizens at Redland Creek Villas; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Truth and Union Lodge #594 has helped to organize and provide logistical
9 support for the yearly Martin Luther King Jr. Parade in Lawrenceville, Georgia; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Truth and Union Lodge #594 has organized countless blood drives, book drives,
11 back to school bashes, and other community driven support drives throughout the years,
12 providing school supplies, food, games, free haircuts, and other needed items; and

13 WHEREAS, Truth and Union Lodge #594 has participated in the Gwinnett County
14 Adopt-A-Road program for over six years, helping to keep Gwinnett roads clean and
15 beautiful; and

16 WHEREAS, Truth and Union Lodge #594 has volunteered with the set-up, break-down, and
17 water stations on a yearly basis for events such as the Breast Cancer Walk, Walk to End
18 Autism, March for Babies, and the Lupus Walk to name a few; and

19 WHEREAS, Truth and Union Lodge #594 conducted a Men's Mental Health Symposium
20 in 2022 and collaborated with law enforcement to conduct an active shooter training to help
21 ensure the community is informed and protects itself; and

22 WHEREAS, Truth and Union Lodge #594 has continuously ran a mentoring program known
23 as the Knights of Pythagoras to assist young men with all the necessary tools and resources
24 they will need as they transition to manhood, taking the young men on field trips with other
25 members from other lodges as well as providing one-on-one guidance; and

26 WHEREAS, this remarkable organization has provided holiday turkey baskets for citizens
27 of Gwinnett County; and

28 WHEREAS, for its efforts, Truth and Union Lodge #594 was named the Lodge of the Year
29 by the Atlanta District #3 West and the MWPHGL of Georgia; and

30 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
31 remarkable and distinguished organization be recognized appropriately.

32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
33 commend Truth and Union Lodge #594 for its tireless and persistent dedication to helping
34 those in need, both within its own community and all over the metro Atlanta area.

35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed to
36 make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to Truth and Union
37 Lodge #594 and the MWPHGL of Georgia.