

## Senate Resolution 366

By: Senators Merritt of the 9th, Islam of the 7th, Jackson of the 41st, Rahman of the 5th, Dixon of the 45th and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending J. Michael Levengood; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, J. Michael Levengood has a long and consistent record of service to his  
3 community and this state and has been recognized as one of the most dynamic and  
4 committed professionals in Georgia; and

5 WHEREAS, for his outstanding contributions to Gwinnett County and the State of Georgia,  
6 J. Michael Levengood is the recipient of the 2023 Justice Robert Benham Awards for  
7 Community Service - Lifetime Achievement Award; and

8 WHEREAS, he founded his eponymous law office in 2014 after transitioning from his  
9 partnership with McKenna Long & Aldridge, where he had enjoyed practicing law for nearly  
10 35 years; and

11 WHEREAS, he has been an ever-present pillar of his community throughout his legal career,  
12 providing leadership at the highest levels in the areas of local healthcare, civic development  
13 and education; and

14 WHEREAS, he has worked for the betterment of his community serving as a member of the  
15 Gwinnett Health System Board of Directors, guiding the merger of Northside Hospital  
16 System with the Gwinnett Health System; raising awareness and research funding as a  
17 member of the National Scleroderma Foundation Board of Directors; and founding, with a  
18 group of other community advocates, the Gwinnett Parks Foundation; and

19 WHEREAS, a graduate of Leadership Gwinnett, he subsequently served as chair of that  
20 organization's steering committee and created the Leadership Gwinnett Foundation, and  
21 beginning in 2002 he led the charge for the renewal and allocation of Education SPLOST  
22 funds in Gwinnett County; and

23 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments and  
24 contributions of this extraordinary citizen be appropriately recognized.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
26 recognize and commend J. Michael Levengood and express sincere best wishes for continued  
27 health and happiness.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
29 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to J. Michael  
30 Levengood.