Senate Resolution 558 By: Senator Unterman of the 45th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the late Jon Richards; and for other purposes.

- 2 WHEREAS, Jon Richards became a Georgian by moving to Lawrenceville, Georgia, after
- 3 graduating from Allegheny College having been born in Cleveland, Ohio; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Jon Richards was a great family man as son to his mother, Caroline, and his late
- 5 father, Glenn; his sisters, Amy and Anne; his brother-in-law, Andrew; and his nephews, Cal,

6 Matthew, and Stuart, for whom he was an experienced pumpkin carver and the official

- 7 distributor of presents found under the tree on Christmas morning; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Jon Richards was an accomplished businessman, having sold several enterprises
 9 in the emerging tech world to allow for an early and comfortable retirement; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Jon Richards served as the Editor-in-Chief of GeorgiaPol.com and the Front
- 11 Page Editor of Peach Pundit, bringing unfiltered news about Georgia's Capitol community
- 12 to lawmakers and citizens alike; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Jon Richards was a loyal and tireless member of the Gwinnett Chamber of
- 14 Commerce, the Gwinnett GOP, and countless other Gwinnett County civic organizations to
- 15 help embody the slogan "Gwinnett is Great"; and
- WHEREAS, Jon Richards had several decades of dedication to the Gwinnett and Georgia
 Republican Party organizations but always sought to find solutions to problems based on the
- 18 needs of our citizens rather than the needs of a political organization; and
- 19 WHEREAS, Jon Richards devoted hours and gave selflessly to mentor high school and
- 20 college students to become the leaders of tomorrow, many of whom are already the leaders
- 21 of today; and

- 22 WHEREAS, Jon Richards made Georgia his home in the 1980s and worked ceaselessly in
- 23 political and social organizations throughout his life.
- 24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 25 honor the late Jon Richards as an honorary native Georgian and recognize his great
- 26 accomplishments to this state.
- 27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 28 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the family of Jon
- 29 Richards.