

Senate Resolution 731

By: Senators Thompson of the 14th, Shafer of the 48th, Dugan of the 30th, Cowser of the 46th, Harbin of the 16th and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Stanton Gatewood; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Stanton Gatewood has more than 33 years of experience in cybersecurity
3 programs for the United States military, state and federal governments, higher education, and
4 global corporations; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Stan began his career as a cryptologic officer for the United States Air Force
6 and later worked with AT&T as a Chief Investigator of fraud, waste, and abuse of data; and
- 7 WHEREAS, his career progressed, bringing him to higher education as the University of
8 Southern California's first Information Security Officer, tasked with assisting in the
9 protection of intellectual property and implementation of data security measures throughout
10 the university; and
- 11 WHEREAS, the challenge of protecting the constant exchange and growth of information
12 within a university did not intimidate Stan, but rather prepared him to become the Chief
13 Information Security Officer at the University of Georgia; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Stan then became the Chief Information Security Officer for the University
15 System of Georgia, promoting compliance with security regulations for approximately seven
16 years; and
- 17 WHEREAS, he is currently working with the Georgia Technology Authority, where he
18 serves as the State Chief Information Security Officer and continues his efforts to improve
19 the cybersecurity infrastructure of the State of Georgia; and
- 20 WHEREAS, his work contributes to safeguarding government networks, which are under
21 constant threat from cybercriminals attempting to obtain the private information of millions
22 of people and businesses; and

23 WHEREAS, Stan remains actively involved in bringing value to the cyber community, as
24 further evidenced by his role in the recent study committee on cybersecurity education; and

25 WHEREAS, he is one of only three Chief Information Security Officers across the nation to
26 have received the 2017 Thomas M. Jarrett Cybersecurity Scholarship from the National
27 Association of State CIOs, which has enabled him to continue to contribute to a national
28 dialogue on cybersecurity; and

29 WHEREAS, Stan is a distinguished fellow at the Ponemon Institute, a widely known
30 research center dedicated to privacy, data protection, and information security policy; and

31 WHEREAS, throughout his career, Stan has remained focused on advocating for cyber
32 preparedness, vigilance, and resilience; and

33 WHEREAS, although Stan regards his impressive career with characteristic humility, his
34 achievements continue to have great impact on the cyber community and are worthy of
35 recognition.

36 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
37 recognize Stanton Gatewood for his significant contributions to cybersecurity and commend
38 his tireless concern for the well-being and security of the community and the state as a
39 whole.

40 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
41 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Stanton Gatewood.