

## Senate Resolution 363

By: Senators Kennedy of the 18th, Dugan of the 30th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Tillery of the 19th and Strickland of the 17th

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending David Stanton, Ireland's Government Minister for Equality,  
2 Immigration, and Integration; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, David Stanton has long been recognized by the citizens of Ireland for the vital  
4 role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of its  
5 citizens; and

6 WHEREAS, David Stanton has been serving as Minister of State for Justice at the  
7 Department of Justice and Equality with special responsibility for Equality, Immigration, and  
8 Integration since May 19, 2016; and

9 WHEREAS, under David's leadership, the Joint Oireachtas Committee on Justice, Defence,  
10 and Equality dealt with a vast array of policy and legislation in areas such as legal capacity,  
11 domestic and sexual violence, prostitution, bankruptcy, firearms, penal reform, and numerous  
12 pieces of legislation in the criminal justice area; and

13 WHEREAS, approximately 800,000 Georgians proudly claim Irish heritage, a shared history  
14 that started shortly after the arrival of the first settlers in Georgia and continues to the present  
15 day; and

16 WHEREAS, with increasing economic and academic links between the State of Georgia and  
17 Ireland, this historic relationship continues to flourish with David Stanton's adept guidance;  
18 and

19 WHEREAS, his significant organizational and leadership talents, remarkable patience and  
20 diplomacy, keen sense of vision, and sensitivity to the needs of others have earned him the  
21 respect and admiration of his colleagues and associates; and

22 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this  
23 extraordinary public servant be appropriately recognized.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
25 commend David Stanton, Ireland's Government Minister for Equality, Immigration, and  
26 Integration, for his magnificent public service on behalf of the citizens of Ireland and  
27 recognize the deep bonds of commerce, history, and friendship between the State of Georgia  
28 and Ireland.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
30 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to David Stanton,  
31 Ireland's Government Minister for Equality, Immigration, and Integration.