

## RESOLUTION

### HONORING AND EXPRESSING APPRECIATION TO DNR COMMISSIONER NOEL HOLCOMB FOR HIS SUPPORT OF THE INSTITUTE FOR GEORGIA ENVIRONMENTAL LEADERSHIP

**WHEREAS**, the Institute for Georgia Environmental Leadership (IGEL) is a program that is presented through the efforts of the non-profit organization IGEL, Inc., and the Fanning Institute at the University of Georgia; and

**WHEREAS**, the mission of IGEL is to build and sustain a diverse network of environmentally-educated leaders; and

**WHEREAS**, IGEL brings together Georgians from different backgrounds and provides an innovative forum for discussing environmental issues from a variety of perspectives; and

**WHEREAS**, IGEL is designed for individuals who have a proven commitment to confronting environmental issues in our State and who are positioned to participate meaningfully in decisions that affect our State's environment; and

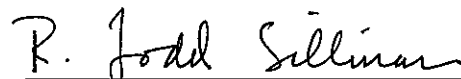
**WHEREAS**, Department of Natural Resources Commissioner Noel Holcomb has embodied the spirit of IGEL through his commitment to honest and inclusive dialogue and collaborating with diverse groups of stakeholders in the interest of protecting Georgia's natural resources for present and future generations; and

**WHEREAS**, during Noel Holcomb's tenure as Commissioner, the Department of Natural Resources has generously supported IGEL through financial assistance and encouraging staff participation in the program; and

**WHEREAS**, Commissioner Noel Holcomb was an active participant in IGEL and graduated from Class VI in November 2007;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Board of Directors of IGEL, Inc., the Fanning Institute, and the graduates of IGEL express their deep and sincere appreciation to DNR Commissioner Noel Holcomb for his outstanding leadership and support of IGEL and wish him a long and enjoyable retirement.

Adopted this 25th day of March 2009.



R. Todd Silliman, Chair  
Board of Directors, IGEL, Inc.



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