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Ramblin' Reflections on Georgia Politics **ABIT MASSEY**

President Emeritus, Georgia Poultry Federation



Abit Massey joined the Georgia Poultry Federation in 1960 as its executive director and was named its president emeritus in January 2012. He is the former director of the Georgia Department of Commerce, now the Department of Economic Development, where he created the Tourist Division and built the first Georgia Welcome Station. He has received a host of honors during his distinguished career of service to our state and to the non-profit community.

Mr. Massey has received awards for outstanding or distinguished service from the UGA Blue Key Honor Society, the UGA Ag Alumni Association, the UGA National Alumni Association, and the Agricultural Economics Association of Georgia. That last award was created especially for him. And to top all previous awards and accolades, in 2012 he received the Presidential Citation from Georgia Tech – for remarkable service to the state and the university. This was only the seventh such citation ever presented by Tech, and the first to a UGA alumnus.

Mr. Massey has been in the front row of Georgia politics spanning 14 Presidential Administrations and 10 Georgia Governors.

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