

## Senate Resolution 1117

By: Senators Anderson of the 43rd, Jones II of the 22nd, Butler of the 55th, Davenport of the 44th, Seay of the 34th and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Derrick Boazman and recognizing Men and Women in Radio Day at the state  
2 capitol; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Derrick Boazman, a native Atlantan, was born and reared on Atlanta's  
4 southside; and

5 WHEREAS, in 1997, he was elected to the Atlanta City Council, was re-elected for his  
6 second term in 2001, and resigned his seat in April 2004; and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Boazman is the host of the radio talk show "Too Much Truth," which is  
8 aired weekdays from 4pm-7pm; and

9 WHEREAS, he is an outspoken advocate for the rights of minorities and has appeared on  
10 CNN's Talkback Live, Nightline, Court TV, and dozens of nationally syndicated radio  
11 programs, and has been interviewed by the *Wall Street Journal*, the *New York Times*, and the  
12 *New Yorker*; and

13 WHEREAS, Mr. Boazman is President and CEO of Facilitation Strategies, Inc., which  
14 specializes in strategic planning and group facilitation activities; and

15 WHEREAS, he received his bachelor's degree in political science from Morris Brown  
16 College, where he began his political career as president of the Student Government  
17 Association; and

18 WHEREAS, Mr. Boazman serves as a certified trainer, teaching community leadership and  
19 organizational development skills for Midwest Academy, which is an instruction entity that  
20 travels throughout the country, and at the Fanning Leadership Institute of the University of  
21 Georgia in Athens; and

22 WHEREAS, he has also served as an instructor at the Community Development Institute at  
23 Clark Atlanta University; and

24 WHEREAS, Mr. Boazman contends that "education is an equalizer" and lives his life  
25 accordingly by formally serving as a Parent-Teacher Association (PTA) officer at Price  
26 Middle School and as a member of the PTA at Perkerson Elementary School; and

27 WHEREAS, he is very active with the United Youth-Adult Conference (UYAC); and

28 WHEREAS, in 2000, Mr. Boazman was the recipient of the Concerned Black Clergy of  
29 Metro Atlanta's Award for Outstanding Contribution in Politics and Morris Brown College's  
30 Going the Distance Career–Achievement Award; and

31 WHEREAS, he was the 1997 recipient of the Human Service Award from the Georgia  
32 Greater Metro chapter of the Association of Black Social Workers; received the 1996  
33 Community Service Award from the Atlanta Project; and was selected as one of ten people  
34 to serve on the President's Summit for America's Future Committee by former United States  
35 Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Colin Powell, which was one of Mr. Boazman's  
36 proudest moments; and

37 WHEREAS, Mr. Boazman was also selected by the American Council of Young Political  
38 Leaders, which is a bipartisan leadership development program that identifies promising  
39 young leaders under the age of 40 and provides them with opportunities to travel abroad to  
40 examine the impact of United States foreign policy; and

41 WHEREAS, he is a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., and is a member of Mount  
42 Sinai Baptist Church; and

43 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this  
44 exemplary citizen be appropriately recognized.

45 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
46 commend Derrick Boazman and recognize Men and Women in Radio Day at the state  
47 capitol.

48 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
49 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Derrick Boazman.