

Senate Resolution 1150

By: Senators James of the 35th and Seay of the 34th

### A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Tommie Lee Harris; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens  
3 with the passing of Tommie Lee Harris on February 26, 1999; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Tommie was born on June 14, 1934, a beloved son of John Henry and Grace  
5 Harris; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United  
7 States Army, valiantly and courageously protecting his fellow Americans, retiring in 1975;  
8 and
- 9 WHEREAS, Tommie received a Bronze Star award and a United Nations Service Medal  
10 Presidential Unit Citation Award from the Republic of Korea; and
- 11 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, he was an active member of Southwest  
12 Christian Church where he served as a deacon and elder; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Tommie was united in love and marriage to Susan Su-Chen Harris and was  
14 blessed with two remarkable children, Salina Shin-Lang and Tora Lian-Juin; and
- 15 WHEREAS, he worked as a junior ROTC instructor for the Atlanta Public School System,  
16 was a master mason of the Taiwan Masonic, and was the founder of International Friendship  
17 Group of Greater Atlanta USA; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Tommie gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep  
19 concern for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he  
20 demonstrated to his family and friends were admired by others; and

21 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation  
22 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness and, by the example he made of his life, he  
23 made this world a better place in which to live; and

24 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Tommie will long be remembered for his  
25 love of family and friendship, and this loyal gentleman and friend will be missed by all who  
26 had the great fortune of knowing him.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
28 join in honoring the life and memory of Tommie Lee Harris and express their deepest and  
29 most sincere regret at his passing.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
31 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Tommie Lee Harris.