

Senate Resolution 1184

By: Senator Tate of the 38th

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Linda A. Klein; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Linda A. Klein, a well-respected and highly distinguished attorney, was elected  
3 in 1997 as the first woman to serve as President of the State Bar of Georgia; and

4 WHEREAS, Ms. Klein is senior managing shareholder at Baker Donelson where she just  
5 completed a six-year term on the firm's Board of Directors; and

6 WHEREAS, Linda A. Klein is the current president-elect for the American Bar Association  
7 and recently completed her 2010-2012 term as chair of the ABA's House of Delegates,  
8 ranked as the second highest office in the work's largest voluntary professional association;  
9 and

10 WHEREAS, she has also served as chair of the Tort Trial and Insurance Practice Section,  
11 chair of the Committee on Rules and Calendar of the House of Delegates, chair of the  
12 Coalition for Justice, and chair of the Association's congressional outreach effort; and

13 WHEREAS, Ms. Klein is a member of the Council of the ABA Section of International Law  
14 as well as a columnist and member of the Board of Editors of *Law Practice Management*  
15 magazine; and

16 WHEREAS, Linda A. Klein was a McGlothlin fellow on the campuses of William and  
17 Mary's Business and Law Schools; she delivered the commencement address at the  
18 Washington and Lee School of Law and was honored with the Randolph Thrower Award for  
19 Lifetime Achievement and the American Bar Association's prestigious Margaret Brent  
20 Achievement Award; and

21 WHEREAS, Ms. Klein holds several board of director and executive committee positions  
22 with organizations such as Neighbor to Family, Inc., Southface Energy Institute, the

23 Buckhead Coalition, the Caucus of State Bars, Lawyers Foundation of Georgia, and the  
24 Institute for Continuing Legal Education in Georgia; and

25 WHEREAS, in addition to her numerous published works under the topics of ethics, dispute  
26 resolution, construction, community organization, and litigation, to name a few, Ms. Klein  
27 is also known for her busy lecture schedule throughout the southeast United States and  
28 around the world; and

29 WHEREAS, Linda A. Klein has an extensive list of awards, honors, and recognitions, some  
30 of which include being listed in The Best Lawyers in America, Who's Who in America and  
31 Chambers USA, Super Lawyers: Top 100 Lawyers in Georgia, and one of *Georgia Trend*  
32 magazine's 100 Most Powerful and Influential Georgians.

33 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
34 recognize and commend Linda A. Klein for her contributions to the field of law and her  
35 many outstanding accomplishments and extend their most sincere best wishes for continued  
36 success.

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
38 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Linda A. Klein.