

Senate Resolution 1205

By: Senators Fort of the 39th, Orrock of the 36th, James of the 35th, Tate of the 38th, Carter of the 42nd and others

#### A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Lonnie King; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Lonnie King was born in Arlington, Georgia, raised in Atlanta, and served in  
3 the United States Navy; and
- 4 WHEREAS, he left the Navy in 1957 and returned to Atlanta to earn his degree from  
5 Morehouse College; and
- 6 WHEREAS, in 1960, Mr. King was present at the founding of the Student Non-violent  
7 Coordinating Committee (SNCC) at Shaw University; and
- 8 WHEREAS, on March 9, 1960, he and the SNCC published "An Appeal for Human Rights"  
9 as an advertisement in various Atlanta newspapers; a crucial document of the Civil Rights  
10 Movement, the appeal called for complete racial desegregation by peaceful and nonviolent  
11 means; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Mr. King continues to be actively involved in various related activities,  
13 including the 50th Anniversary of An Appeal for Human Rights, the Atlanta Student  
14 Movement, and serving as chairman of the 40th Anniversary of Committee on the Appeal  
15 for Human Rights; and
- 16 WHEREAS, he has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,  
17 talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Mr. King is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable  
19 reputation for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and
- 20 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this  
21 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
23 commend Lonnie King for his efficient, effective, unselfish, and dedicated service to the  
24 Civil Rights Movement and to the State of Georgia.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
26 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Lonnie King.