

Senate Resolution 33

By: Senators Strickland of the 17th, Rhett of the 33rd, James of the 35th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd and Davenport of the 44th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing Reverend Waddy's 40 years of service and his retirement; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Reverend Waddy has served God and his community for 40 years with moral
4 fortitude and Christian faith; and

5 WHEREAS, Reverend Waddy has led congregations at churches across the State of Georgia
6 in the African Methodist Episcopal Denomination, including Knight's Monumental A.M.E.
7 Church, St. John A.M.E. Church, Cosmopolitan A.M.E. Church, and Greater St. Peter
8 A.M.E. Church. While working for these churches, Reverend Waddy spearheaded several
9 advancements for the sake of these places of worship. For example, he raised funds for
10 renovations, purchasing land and making improvements without having to loan any funds,
11 and opened a church daycare for children ranging in age from six weeks to five years old;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, Reverend Waddy has guided over 20 churches in the Celebrated Central District
14 as the presiding elder. In this role, he has worked tirelessly to provide for the people of his
15 congregations with growth and unrelenting faith in their community; and

16 WHEREAS, Reverend Waddy spent seven years as the secretary for the Annual Atlanta
17 North Georgia Conference. Furthermore, Reverend Waddy was on the Planning Board for
18 the city of Fairborn, Georgia, for five years; and

19 WHEREAS, the unmatched spiritual assistance offered by Reverend Waddy is a source of
20 strength and direction for persons in all walks of life; and

21 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this enduring example of God's message
22 of peace and love be recognized and congratulated for his innumerable good works rendered
23 on behalf of persons in need.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
25 commend and offer sincere gratitude to Reverend Waddy for his service unto the Lord, his
26 service unto the community, and his service unto Georgia.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that his leadership in our state serves as an example for all
28 citizens of Georgia and the impact of his service will be experienced for years to come in our
29 state and eternally through his service to Christ.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
31 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Reverend Waddy.