

Senate Resolution 775

By: Senators Jones of the 10th, Orrock of the 36th, James of the 35th, Harbin of the 16th, Strickland of the 17th and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Senator Valencia Seay; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Senator Valencia Seay has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for
3 her crucial role in the Georgia Senate; and
- 4 WHEREAS, a Democrat who represents Senate District 34, Senator Seay is a prominent
5 member of the Appropriations, Ethics, Government Oversight, Public Safety, and Science
6 and Technology Committees and is also an ex officio member of the Transportation
7 Committee; and
- 8 WHEREAS, a woman who understands the power of an education, she attended DeKalb
9 College, Clayton State University, and the Flemming Fellows Leadership Institute, and she
10 also completed the 2009 and 2011 Legislative Health Policy Certificate Program from
11 Georgia State University's Andrew Young School of Policy Studies; and
- 12 WHEREAS, retired from a 22-year career in banking, she is president and CEO of Seay &
13 Associates; and

14 WHEREAS, she has devoted innumerable hours of her time, talents, and energy toward the
15 betterment of her community and state, serving on the Clayton County Board of Education
16 from 1993 to 2000, in the Georgia House of Representatives from 2001 to 2002, and in the
17 Georgia Senate since 2003; and

18 WHEREAS, she is admired by her colleagues, associates, and constituents for her close
19 involvement with various civic groups, including the NAACP, the National Council of Negro
20 Women, the Georgia Association of Black Elected Officials, the National Organization of
21 Women Legislators, Women in Government, the Women's Legislative Caucus, and the
22 Georgia Legislative Black Caucus; and

23 WHEREAS, her numerous accolades include being honored by the Georgia Historical
24 Records Advisory Council for her Legislative Advocacy for establishing an agricultural
25 museum and receiving the 2015 We Are Clayton Living Legend Award and the 2015 Alpha
26 Kappa Alpha Capitol Legislator of the Year Award; and

27 WHEREAS, Senator Seay is united in love and marriage to Walter Seay, and the couple is
28 blessed with two remarkable children and four beloved grandchildren; and

29 WHEREAS, a woman of deep and biding faith, she and her entire family are members of
30 Antioch Baptist Church North; and

31 WHEREAS, she has served with honor and distinction, and her vision and unyielding
32 commitment will be sorely missed upon the occasion of her retirement; and

33 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
34 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

35 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
36 recognize and commend Senator Valencia Seay for her efficient, effective, unselfish, and
37 dedicated public service to the State of Georgia; congratulate her upon the grand occasion
38 of her retirement; and extend the most sincere best wishes for continued health and
39 happiness.

40 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
41 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Senator Valencia
42 Seay.