

Senate Resolution 842

By: Senators Jackson of the 2nd, Harbison of the 15th and Jones of the 10th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Elder Henry Baggs, Jr.; 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 Elder Henry Baggs, Jr., on January 16, 2018; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Elder Henry Baggs, Jr., was born on August 10, 1949, in Ludowici County,
5 Georgia, a beloved son of Henry and Alberta Jackson-Baggs; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he was in educated in the public school system of Long County before moving
7 to Queens, New York, and returned home to Ludowici County in 1974; and
- 8 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Henry was an active member of St. Paul First
9 Born Ministry, where he faithfully served as deacon, minister, and eventually earned the title
10 of elder; and
- 11 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to his wife, Alma Carr-Baggs, and was
12 blessed with five remarkable children, Jacquelyn, Crystal, Anthony, Maurice, and Henry; 11
13 wonderful grandchildren; and one remarkable great-grandchild; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Elder Baggs was an employee of the Georgia Department of Transportation for
15 approximately 17 years; and
- 16 WHEREAS, he was known for his gift of poetry and songwriting throughout the South; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Elder Baggs hosted a monthly gospel show called "The Gospel Wagon" on the
18 local WTLD radio station and helped others through his faithful and dedicated service at
19 local nursing homes and hospitals, where he served as a chaplain under the leadership of
20 Reverend Charles Mullis; and

21 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern
22 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his
23 family and friends were admired by others; and

24 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Elder Henry Baggs, Jr., will long be
25 remembered for his love of family and friendship and will be missed by all who had the great
26 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 Elder Henry Baggs, Jr., 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 make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the family of Elder
32 Henry Baggs, Jr.