

Senate Resolution 1118

By: Senators Anderson of the 43rd, Jones II of the 22nd, Butler of the 55th, Davenport of the 44th, Seay of the 34th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Darlene Jenise "McCoy" Johnson and recognizing Men and Women in Radio
2 Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, when you hear the name Darlene McCoy, the song "I'm Every Woman" would
4 be the ideal preamble; and

5 WHEREAS, she bears a plethora of titles that attempt to define her: mother, national
6 recording artist, radio personality, actress, author, songwriter, mentor, entrepreneur,
7 comedienne, and speaker; and

8 WHEREAS, it is evident that we have not yet witnessed all that God has placed behind this
9 bright shining star of a woman; and

10 WHEREAS, Darlene was born Darlene Jenise Johnson in Greenville, South Carolina, the
11 daughter of William R. Johnson and Sadie Sherman Johnson; and

12 WHEREAS, she, along with her now retired Air Force brother, Reverend Curtis L. Johnson,
13 were raised in the church from the time they were born; and

14 WHEREAS, Darlene Jenise "McCoy" Johnson is an American gospel singer, songwriter,
15 author, radio personality, and Christian R&B recording artist who started her music career
16 in 2005 with the release of the single "Fallen in Love" by EMI Gospel; and

17 WHEREAS, Darlene is the first African American woman to host a nightly syndicated radio
18 show as host of "The Nightly Spirit" under Reach Media, Inc.; and

19 WHEREAS, in 2011, Darlene released a single, "I Shall Live and Not Die," on May 17,
20 2011, which made it to No. 2 on the Billboard chart for Hot Gospel Songs; and

21 WHEREAS, Darlene has developed her brand as the nation's "Inspirational Girlfriend,"
22 where she endears everyone to her as "My Girl Darlene McCoy"; and

23 WHEREAS, she is known for her bold and broad approach to controversial topics and is
24 spiritually centered, with an undeniable anointing and call from God to reach her listeners;
25 and

26 WHEREAS, one can only conclude that Darlene is empowered and equipped with God's
27 divine grace as a multifaceted, gifted, entertaining, ministering media mogul and single
28 mother of three whom we richly adore; and

29 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
30 exemplary citizen be appropriately recognized.

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
32 commend Darlene Jenise "McCoy" Johnson and recognize Men and Women in Radio Day
33 at the state capitol.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
35 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Darlene Jenise
36 "McCoy" Johnson.