

Senate Resolution 14EX

By: Senators Davenport of the 44th, Tate of the 38th, James of the 35th, Seay of the 34th and Butler of the 55th

### A RESOLUTION

1 Commending and congratulating Ms. Lois Smith-Dixon; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Ms. Lois Smith-Dixon was born on December 10, 1924, in Lovejoy, Georgia,  
3 and this year she enjoys the delightful distinction of celebrating her 99th birthday; and

4 WHEREAS, the devotion, patience, and understanding she has demonstrated have provided  
5 the foundation of success from which her family members have developed and flourished,  
6 as evidenced by her six wonderful children, 18 outstanding grandchildren, 17 exceptional  
7 great-grandchildren, and 17 remarkable great-great-grandchildren; and

8 WHEREAS, Ms. Lois Smith-Dixon has long been an integral part of her community's  
9 spiritual life, having joined fellowship with Mt. Olive Baptist Church in the early 1950s  
10 under the leadership of the late Rev. H. M. Alexander; and

11 WHEREAS, her dedication to her faith and her service within the church community has  
12 been marked by unwavering commitment, compassion, and a steadfast commitment to the  
13 well-being of her fellow congregants; and

14 WHEREAS, Ms. Lois Smith-Dixon possesses the vast wisdom which only comes through  
15 experience and the strength of character which is achieved through overcoming the many  
16 challenges of life; and

17 WHEREAS, a resident of Jonesboro, Georgia, she is a person of magnanimous strengths with  
18 an unimpeachable reputation for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and

19 WHEREAS, she has witnessed a dramatic change in the world over the course of her  
20 lifetime, and we salute her contribution to its progress through her tireless efforts on behalf  
21 of her community and extended family; and

22 WHEREAS, by the example Ms. Lois Smith-Dixon has made of her life, she makes this  
23 world a better place in which to live, and it is only fitting and proper that she be appropriately  
24 recognized during this very special and memorable time.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
26 commend Ms. Lois Smith-Dixon for her unselfish, dedicated, and loving service to the  
27 members of her family and community; congratulate her on the remarkable occasion of her  
28 99th birthday; and extend their most sincere best wishes for continued health and happiness.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
30 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Ms. Lois  
31 Smith-Dixon.