

Senate Resolution 40EX

By: Senators Watson of the 1st, Burke of the 11th, Miller of the 49th, Hufstetler of the 52nd and Kirkpatrick of the 32nd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of LaSharn Hughes; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished individuals
3 with the passing of LaSharn Hughes on Thursday, October 28, 2021; and
- 4 WHEREAS, LaSharn is survived by her loving husband, Michael, as well as her mother,
5 three adult daughters, one adult son, three grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren; and
- 6 WHEREAS, she was born in Birmingham, Alabama, and she began her career with the State
7 of Georgia in 1986 as a secretary in the Georgia Secretary of State's office; and
- 8 WHEREAS, she worked tirelessly as a secretary and went on to oversee licensure for athletic
9 trainers, counselors, funeral homes, social workers, and nursing homes, all while earning a
10 master's degree; and
- 11 WHEREAS, she served as executive director of the Georgia Composite Medical Board from
12 2003 to 2014, then later retired from the state and spent a year as a vice president for the
13 National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants; and

14 WHEREAS, she returned in 2017 as executive director of the Georgia Composite Medical
15 Board and Georgia Board for Physician Workforce; and

16 WHEREAS, LaSharn was a long-time advocate for patients and physicians throughout the
17 State of Georgia; and

18 WHEREAS, her passion for her work, for physicians, and for patients never went unnoticed
19 by the Medical Association of Georgia and state Medical Specialty Societies; and

20 WHEREAS, her work shined through to everyone who had the pleasure of working
21 alongside her.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
23 honor the life and memory of LaSharn Hughes and extend the most sincere and deepest
24 regret at her passing.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
26 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the family of
27 LaSharn Hughes.