

## Senate Resolution 405

By: Senators Halpern of the 39th, Anderson of the 43rd, James of the 35th, Davenport of the 44th, Butler of the 55th and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Jack and Jill of America, Inc.; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Jack and Jill of America, Inc., is a membership organization of mothers with  
3 children ages 2-19, dedicated to nurturing future African-American leaders by strengthening  
4 children through leadership development, volunteer service, philanthropic giving, and civic  
5 duty; and

6 WHEREAS, the late Marion Stubbs Thomas founded Jack and Jill of America, Inc., on  
7 January 24, 1938, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania when 20 mothers came together to discuss  
8 creating an organization to provide social, cultural, and educational opportunities for youth  
9 between the ages of two and 19 and in 1946, ten chapters were involved in the national  
10 restructuring process where a constitution and bylaws were drawn up and the organization  
11 was incorporated under the laws of the state of Delaware; and

12 WHEREAS, today, this organization has 262 chapters nationwide, representing 50,000  
13 families in seven regions with each chapter planning annual programming activities guided  
14 under a national theme, and through service projects, it creates a medium of contact for  
15 children to stimulate their growth and development; and

16 WHEREAS, the Jack and Jill of America Foundation, Inc., is the philanthropic arm of Jack  
17 and Jill of America, Inc., and since its inception in 1968, the Foundation has distributed  
18 millions of dollars to communities all across America; and

19 WHEREAS, Georgia is a part of the Southeastern Region and home to the 27th National  
20 President Kornisha McGill Brown and the Regional Director Darlene McGhee Whittington.  
21 The other members of the Regional Executive Board consist of Regional Treasurer Florence  
22 Holland, Regional Secretary Sharon January (Georgia), and Member at Large Takeysha  
23 Lewis (Georgia). The Regional Legislative Chair is Dorothea "Dee" Dawkins-Haigler.  
24 Regional Teen President Jasmine Stewart, Regional Teen President Josephine Glass, and  
25 Regional Teen Secretary Blake Haynes; and

26 WHEREAS, the Georgia chapters and their respective presidents are as follows: Albany -  
27 Nedra Fortson, Athens - Andrea Phillips, Atlanta - Pamela Redd, Augusta - Monica Johnson,  
28 Buckhead Atlanta - Candace Tate, Columbus - Pamela Watson, Dunwoody-Atlanta - Denise  
29 Daisy, East Suburban Atlanta - Sha'Ronda McRae, Fayette County Area - Kim Sutton,  
30 Golden Isles - Shontae Buffington, Greater Lake Allatoona - Sophia McIntyre-Daniel,  
31 Greater Metropolitan Atlanta - Kim Bell, Greater North Atlanta - Kelly Johnson, Lake  
32 Spivey - Chaundra Lewis, Macon - Tisha Davis, North Suburban Atlanta - Cecily McDaniel,  
33 Savannah - Tara Aiken, Southern Crescent - Stephanie L. Rogers, Stone Mountain - Marissa  
34 Key, Valdosta - Tangela Kimber, and West Georgia - LaConia Dean.

35 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
36 commend the outstanding work of Jack and Jill of America, Inc., and extend their sincere  
37 best wishes for the continued success of this invaluable organization.

38 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
39 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Jack and Jill of  
40 America, Inc.