

## Senate Resolution 449

By: Senators Tillery of the 19th, Wilkinson of the 50th, Ginn of the 47th and Cowser of the 46th

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending and congratulating Docia Thomas Strickland; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Docia Thomas Strickland was born on April 10, 1927, in the Red Hill  
3 community of Franklin County, Georgia, and this year she enjoys the rare distinction of  
4 celebrating her 90th birthday; and
- 5 WHEREAS, the devotion, patience, and understanding she has demonstrated have provided  
6 the foundation of success from which her family members have developed and flourished for  
7 three generations as evidenced by her four wonderful children, five outstanding  
8 grandchildren, and four exceptional great-grandchildren; and
- 9 WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, she has been an active member of Royston  
10 Baptist Church for 70 years where she served as a Sunday school teacher and for many years  
11 on the house and grounds committee; and
- 12 WHEREAS, this distinguished gentlewoman has given inspiration to many through her high  
13 ideals, morals, and deep concern for her fellow citizens; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Docia possesses the vast wisdom which only comes through experience and the  
15 strength of character which is achieved through overcoming the many challenges of life; and
- 16 WHEREAS, she is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for  
17 integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and
- 18 WHEREAS, a kind and generous person, Docia brings joy and happiness to her family and  
19 to the many friends and neighbors who have the great pleasure of knowing her; and

20 WHEREAS, she has witnessed a dramatic change in the world over the course of her lifetime  
21 and we salute her contribution to its progress by her own hard work and good citizenship;  
22 and

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

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
27 commend Docia Thomas Strickland for her unselfish, dedicated, and loving service to the  
28 members of her family and community; congratulate her on the remarkable occasion of her  
29 90th birthday; and extend their most sincere best wishes for continued health and happiness.

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 Docia Thomas  
32 Strickland.