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Senate Resolution 559

By: Senators Anderson of the 43rd, Martin of the 9th, Jones of the 10th, Davenport of the 44th, Seay of the 34th and others

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring former State Senator Steen Miles; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, former State Senator Steen Miles has long been recognized by the citizens of
- 3 this state for the vital role that she has played in leadership and her deep personal
- 4 commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and
- 5 WHEREAS, she has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of her time,
- 6 talents, and energy toward the betterment of her community and state as evidenced
- 7 dramatically by her superlative public service and journalism career; and
- 8 WHEREAS, a renowned politician and journalist, Steen was born on August 20, 1946, in
- 9 South Bend, Indiana, to Rose and Austin Davis; and
- 10 WHEREAS, she began her career in journalism in 1971 as a reporter and anchor for
- 11 WNDU-TV in South Bend, Indiana, and went on to work for various other news outlets such
- 12 as WCKY Radio in Cincinnati, NBC's WMAQ Radio in Chicago, and WBMX and
- 13 WVON-WGCI in Chicago; and
- 14 WHEREAS, a gifted reporter, from 1980-1984, Steen was the State Broadcast Editor for
- 15 United Press International in Atlanta, and in 2001, she was hired as Chief Media Relations
- 16 Officer for Atlanta's Metropolitan Rapid Transit Authority (MARTA) and served as its
- 17 spokesperson; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Steen is most well-known for her public service in the Georgia State Senate,
- and after being elected to serve District 43 in 2005, she sponsored and cosponsored 71 pieces
- 20 of legislation and resolutions; and
- 21 WHEREAS, Steen's significant organizational and leadership talents, her remarkable
- 22 patience and diplomacy, her keen sense of vision, and her sensitivity to the needs of the

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23 citizens of this state have earned her the respect and admiration of her colleagues and

- 24 associates; and
- 25 WHEREAS, she has earned distinction and numerous awards for her vision and unyielding
- 26 commitment to public service, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding
- 27 accomplishments of this remarkable and distinguished individual be further recognized.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 29 honor former State Senator Steen Miles for her efficient, effective, unselfish, and dedicated
- 30 public service to the State of Georgia.
- 31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 32 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to former State
- 33 Senator Steen Miles.