

## Senate Resolution 613

By: Senators Rhett of the 33rd, Brass of the 28th, Kennedy of the 18th, Jones II of the 22nd, McLaurin of the 14th and others

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Congratulating the American Korean Friendship Society Inc.; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, this year, the American Korean Friendship Society Inc. celebrates its 28th year  
3 of service to the peoples of the Republic of Korea and the United States of America; and
- 4 WHEREAS, the society was founded in 1996 in Atlanta, Georgia, by distinguished  
5 individuals Raymond G. Davis, Dr. James Laney, Dr. Sang-Chul Kim, Dr. William Chace,  
6 William Livsey, Dr. Wan-Kyu Cho, and Sunny K. Park, all of whom sought to strengthen  
7 and support the extraordinary relationship between the two nations; and
- 8 WHEREAS, the society is currently guided by the leadership of board members Frank Blake,  
9 Burwell B. Bell, Don Chapman, Miles Davis, Larry Ellis, Jay Eun, Robert Hall, Paul T. Kim,  
10 Dr. James Laney, Bartow Morgan, the Honorable Sam Olens, BJay Pak, Dr. Stanley Shin,  
11 the Honorable Sang-Pyo Suh, Dr. Roger Tutterow, and Sunny K. Park; and
- 12 WHEREAS, the American Korean Friendship Society Inc. has long played a pivotal role in  
13 fostering cultural exchanges, mutual understanding, and economic partnerships between the  
14 Republic of Korea and the United States of America; and

15 WHEREAS, with the assistance of the United States, the Republic of Korea has maintained  
16 its sovereignty and independence from North Korea and established itself as both a top-ten  
17 world economy and as one of the United States' closest allies; and

18 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this civic organization be appropriately  
19 honored during this special time.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
21 congratulate the American Korean Friendship Society Inc. upon the grand occasion of its  
22 28th anniversary and extend best wishes for continued success.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
24 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the American  
25 Korean Friendship Society Inc.