

Senate Resolution 65

By: Senators Jackson of the 2nd, Jones of the 10th, Harbison of the 15th and Rahman of the 5th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Robert Lee Davenport Sr.; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens
3 with the passing of Robert Lee Davenport Sr. on January 18, 2021; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Robert Lee Davenport Sr. was born on August 12, 1952, in Leary, Georgia, a
5 beloved son of Ernest and Ethel Lee Davenport; and
- 6 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith who witnessed Christ through word and deed,
7 Robert was an active member of St. Paul C.M.E. Church; and
- 8 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to his wife, Shirley, and was blessed with
9 three remarkable children, Kawanza, Camala, and Robert Jr.; four wonderful grandchildren,
10 Briana, Jamal, Mya, and Khari; and two wonderful great-grandchildren, Josiah and Braxton;
11 and
- 12 WHEREAS, a distinguished gentleman with a strong work ethic, he was respected by his
13 colleagues during his time at CSX Rail-Based Transportation, where he worked as a
14 switchman before being promoted to conductor; and

15 WHEREAS, Robert gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep
16 concern for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he
17 demonstrated to his family and friends were admired by others; and

18 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
19 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example he made of his life, he
20 made this world a better place in which to live; and

21 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Robert Lee Davenport Sr. will long be
22 remembered for his love of family and friendship and his keen sense of humor and will be
23 missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing him.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
25 join in honoring the life and memory of Robert Lee Davenport Sr. and express their deepest
26 and most sincere regret at his passing.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
28 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the family of
29 Robert Lee Davenport Sr.