

## Senate Resolution 728

By: Senators Parent of the 42nd, Davenport of the 44th, Butler of the 55th, Jones of the 10th and Seay of the 34th

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Shavawn P. Simmons on her outstanding public service; and  
2 for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Shavawn P. Simmons has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for  
4 the vital role that she has played in leadership and her deep personal commitment to the  
5 welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, she is the Founder and Executive Director of Family Literacy of Georgia, Inc.,  
7 which she created with the desire to increase enthusiasm for reading within communities  
8 lacking easy access to books and book diversity; and

9 WHEREAS, an avid reader, writer, and artist, she retired after a 30 year career as a public  
10 school educator, a literacy coach, and assistant principal; and

11 WHEREAS, she strives to help families create safe spaces for children to embrace their  
12 differences while promoting life-long reading experiences through Family Literacy of  
13 Georgia and its partnership with Little Free Library's Read in Color initiative to provide  
14 communities throughout the state of Georgia with accessibility to free diverse books; and

15 WHEREAS, she has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of her time,  
16 talents, and energy toward the betterment of her community and state as evidenced by her  
17 passion for literacy and advocacy for adolescent youth and her superlative servant leadership  
18 which is exemplified by her utilizing her corporate experiences to benefit the community;  
19 and

20 WHEREAS, her significant organizational and leadership talents, remarkable patience and  
21 diplomacy, keen sense of vision, and sensitivity to the needs of the citizens of this state have  
22 earned her the respect and admiration of her colleagues and associates; and

23 WHEREAS, she is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for  
24 integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and

25 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this  
26 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
28 recognize and commend Shavawn P. Simmons for her efficient, effective, unselfish, and  
29 dedicated public service to Clayton County and the State of Georgia and extend the most  
30 sincere best wishes for continued health and happiness.

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 Shavawn P.  
33 Simmons.