

Senate Resolution 733

By: Senator James of the 35th

### A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Ambassador Amina Amira Smaila and thanking her for her  
2 public service; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Ambassador Amina Amira Smaila has diligently and conscientiously devoted  
4 innumerable hours of her time, talents, and energy toward the betterment of this state, as  
5 evidenced dramatically by her superlative service as Nigeria's consul general in Atlanta,  
6 Georgia; and

7 WHEREAS, a distinguished Nigerian diplomat with more than two decades of exceptional  
8 service in the Nigerian Foreign Service, she currently oversees 16 southeastern states as well  
9 as Puerto Rico; and

10 WHEREAS, throughout her impressive career in public administration and policy  
11 development, she has served in senior roles such as minister at the Permanent Mission of  
12 Nigeria to the United Nations in New York and acting director of the policy division under  
13 the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Nigeria; and

14 WHEREAS, her outstanding service has earned her numerous honors, including delivering  
15 the commencement speech at Wesleyan College in Macon, Georgia, and receiving the 2022  
16 Lifetime Achievement Award by the World Chamber of Commerce in Atlanta; and

17 WHEREAS, this distinguished gentlewoman has given inspiration to many through her high  
18 ideals, morals, and deep concern for her fellow citizens, and she possesses the vast wisdom  
19 which only comes through experience and the strength of character which is achieved  
20 through overcoming the many challenges of life; and

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

23 WHEREAS, she has served with honor and distinction, and her vision and unyielding  
24 commitment to excellence have set the standard for public service; and

25 WHEREAS, Ambassador Amina Amira Smaila will soon be returning to Nigeria and her  
26 guidance and steady hand at the ship of state will be sorely missed by all who have had the  
27 great fortune of knowing her; and

28 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished  
29 stateswoman be appropriately thanked for her efficient, effective, unselfish, and dedicated  
30 public service.

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
32 recognize and commend Ambassador Amina Amira Smaila; thank her for her efficient,  
33 effective, unselfish, and dedicated public service; and extend the most sincere best wishes  
34 for continued health and happiness and future success.

35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
36 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Ambassador  
37 Amina Amira Smaila.