

## Senate Resolution 779

By: Senator Harbison of the 15th

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending LaVeda Bennett for her military service; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put  
4 their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the  
5 freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

6 WHEREAS, LaVeda Bennett valiantly and courageously served as a guardian of this nation's  
7 freedom and liberty with the United States Marine Corps for 20 years until her retirement on  
8 January 31, 1998; and

9 WHEREAS, this distinguished gentlewoman was in the first platoon of women to serve as  
10 small arms repair technicians and served as administration chief and CID; and

11 WHEREAS, LaVeda has received recognition and numerous accolades for her military  
12 service, including an International Trailblazer Award in 2016, the City of Stonecrest's  
13 Veteran of the Year Award in 2019, and many VA Hospital awards; and

14 WHEREAS, her volunteer service overseas and in the United States is a further testament  
15 to her deep personal commitment to the betterment of her community and the welfare of  
16 others; and

17 WHEREAS, only those with great strength, discipline, and a firm resolve achieve positions  
18 of such status, and LaVeda has brought great credit to herself, her family, this state, and this  
19 nation through her outstanding performance and dedication; and

20 WHEREAS, her selfless and heroic actions stand as a shining tribute to the strength of  
21 human spirit and willpower, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding

22 accomplishments of this remarkable and distinguished American be appropriately  
23 recognized.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
25 recognize and commend LaVeda Bennett for her effective, unselfish, and dedicated public  
26 service to the State of Georgia and this nation and extend the most sincere best wishes for  
27 continued health and happiness.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
29 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to LaVeda Bennett.