By: Senators Miller of the 49th, Anderson of the 43rd and Beach of the 21st

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Nancy Flake Johnson for her contributions to education; and

2 for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Nancy Flake Johnson has long been recognized by the citizens of this state and 4 our country for the vital role that she has played in leadership and her deep personal 5 commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, Nancy earned her Bachelor of Business Administration with a concentration in

7 accounting from Howard University in Washington, D.C., and received her Master of

8 Science in taxation from DePaul University in Chicago, Illinois; and

9 WHEREAS, in 2006, she joined the leadership of the Urban League in Detroit, Michigan,

10 after leading the Howard University Small Business Development Center; and

11 WHEREAS, Nancy returned to Atlanta, Georgia, in 2008 and became the president and CEO 12 of the Urban League of Greater Atlanta; and

12 of the Urban League of Greater Atlanta; and

13 WHEREAS, well-known across the country for her commitment and innovated approaches

14 to education and advancing the black community through economic empowerment and urban

15 development, Nancy quickly built partnerships in the public and private sectors throughout

16 the metropolitan region to drive the Urban League's impact on youth, adults, and families

17 through its initiatives and programs; and

18 WHEREAS, she serves on numerous boards and committees, including the City of Atlanta

19 Workforce Development Board, co-chair of the National Urban League Jobs Task Force,

20 Every Student Succeeds Act Coalition, the MARTA Atlanta Transit Expansion Advisory

21 Committee, and the Georgia Education Equity Coalition; and

- 22 WHEREAS, she has earned numerous accolades for her advocacy for civil, education, and
- 23 economic rights, such as being selected by the Atlanta Business League as one of the Most
- 24 Influential Women of Atlanta for four consecutive years, the Howard University School of
- 25 Business Distinguished Alumni Award, and a "Woman of Excellence" by the Atlanta Daily
- 26 *World Newspaper*; and
- 27 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
- 28 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.
- 29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 30 recognize and commend Nancy Flake Johnson for her contributions to education and the
- 31 State of Georgia and extend sincere best wishes for future success.
- 32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 33 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Nancy Flake
- 34 Johnson.