

Senate Resolution 997

By: Senators Thomas of the 2nd and Johnson of the 1st

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Honorable Dorothy B. Pelote; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Honorable Dorothy B. Pelote has served with unparalleled ability as a member
3 of the House of Representatives since 1992; and

4 WHEREAS, this dynamic and powerful public servant has faithfully represented the citizens
5 of Chatham County with great distinction, dedication, and ability; and

6 WHEREAS, throughout her distinguished career as a member of this august body, the "Lady
7 from the 149th" has shown a keen understanding of education, health, and government
8 matters; and

9 WHEREAS, her consistently thorough consideration of the issues presented to this
10 deliberative body and her integrity and reliability have rightfully earned her the honor,
11 respect, and trust of her colleagues over the years and were recognized by the leadership of
12 this body and properly reflected in her membership on the Education, Higher Education,
13 Intra-Governmental Coordination, Special Rules (Policy) and Transportation Committees;
14 and

15 WHEREAS, she is a graduate of Allen University and has completed further studies at
16 Savannah State University; and

17 WHEREAS, she is a retired educator, served on the Chatham County Board of
18 Commissioners, a devout Christian, affiliated with all of God's churches, Zeta Beta Sorority
19 and Phi Delta Kappa; and

20 WHEREAS, she has received many awards and commendations, too numerous to recite in
21 full, but which include being selected as one of the 50 Most Influential Black Women of
22 Georgia in 2000, the 1999 ILA Local 1414 Humanitarian Award, the 1999 First Bryan

1 Baptist Church Outstanding Political Religious, Education, and Community Service Award,
2 the 1998 Hudson Hill Community Award, the 1997 Martin Luther King Phenomenal Award,
3 the 1995 Certificate of Commendation for Dedicated and Professional Service from the
4 Georgia Emergency Management Agency, and the 1994 Legislative Service Award from the
5 Association of County Commissioners.

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
7 unanimously honor and commend their most outstanding colleague, Honorable Dorothy B.
8 Pelote, for her personal and political influence in supporting education, health care, and
9 other legislation which has substantially improved the quality of life for our citizens and
10 contributed to Georgia's leadership role in the South, wish her success, happiness, and good
11 health in her return to private life, and commend her for serving as an unmatched example
12 of enlightened government and statesmanship.

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
14 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Honorable Dorothy B. Pelote.