

Senate Resolution 224

By: Senator Jackson of the 50<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Dr. Paul Alford; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Dr. Paul Alford has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the  
3 vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the education  
4 of the citizens of Georgia; and

5 WHEREAS, he has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,  
6 talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced  
7 dramatically by his many years of superlative service as President of Toccoa Falls College;  
8 and

9 WHEREAS, under his dynamic leadership beginning in 1979 through his retirement in 2000,  
10 Toccoa Falls College has experience tremendous growth and development. Today, it offers  
11 four degrees in 23 academic tracks and 39 minor fields of study with a strong base in biblical  
12 studies and liberal arts serving over 950 students from 44 states and 25 foreign countries; and

13 WHEREAS, this outstanding individual was the founding pastor of the First Alliance Church  
14 in Columbus; served as a missionary in Ecuador; was a pastor of the First Alliance Church  
15 in St. Petersburg, Florida; served as president of the Georgia Association of Colleges and  
16 Universities in 1997-98; and served on the boards of Trans World Radio, National  
17 Association of Evangelicals, and Accrediting Association of Bible Colleges; and

18 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this  
19 remarkable, committed, and distinguished educator be appropriately recognized.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
21 commend Dr. Paul Alford for his efficient, effective, unselfish, and dedicated public service  
22 to the citizens of his community and state and his work in education and extend to him their

1 most sincere best wishes for continued health and happiness as he enjoys a well-earned  
2 retirement and the satisfaction of a job well done.

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
4 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Dr. Paul Alford.