

Senate Resolution 371

By: Senators Hill of the 4th, Thompson of the 33rd, Gingrey of the 37th, Lamutt of the 21st and Tanksley of the 32nd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Dr. Betty L. Siegel; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Dr. Siegel and the extended community of Kennesaw State University are
3 celebrating her twentieth anniversary in 2001 as president of the university; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Dr. Siegel was the first woman to head an institution in the 34 unit University
5 System of Georgia; and
- 6 WHEREAS, under her administration, the university has grown from a four-year college
7 with an enrollment of 4,000 students and 15 baccalaureate degree programs to its current
8 university status, attained in 1996, with more than 13,500 students and 40 undergraduate and
9 graduate degree programs; and
- 10 WHEREAS, under the leadership of Dr. Siegel, Kennesaw State University has gained
11 national recognition in what she so aptly describes as "steeple of distinction" within the
12 institution; and
- 13 WHEREAS, under Dr. Siegel's direction, Kennesaw State University has also been cited for
14 exemplary programs in minority recruitment and retention, leadership programs for faculty,
15 staff, and students, international initiatives, and an array of support programs for student
16 success, particularly at the freshman level; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Dr. Siegel has been cited for the perspective she has brought to institutional
18 planning, her emphasis on teamwork through the creation of strong administrative teams and
19 group interaction, and the institutional initiatives and high profile activities that brought the
20 university excellent visibility in the local and state communities; and
- 21 WHEREAS, Dr. Siegel has distinguished herself, Kennesaw State University, and the State
22 of Georgia through her tireless personal and professional pursuits, serving on numerous

1 Fortune 100 corporate and community service boards, and having being the first woman
2 chairperson of the 6,000 member Cobb Chamber of Commerce; and

3 WHEREAS, Dr. Siegel is one of the most recognized and popular public figures in Georgia,
4 having been named as one of *Georgia Trend* magazine's most influential Georgians on five
5 separate occasions.

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
7 congratulate Dr. Siegel and celebrate her vision and accomplishments in the year of her
8 twentieth anniversary as president of Kennesaw State University.

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
10 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Dr. Betty L. Siegel.