

Senate Resolution 385

By: Senators Thompson of the 33rd, Gingrey of the 37th and Tanksley of the 32nd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Dr. Nelson L. Price; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Dr. Nelson L. Price has recently retired as pastor of Roswell Street Baptist
3 Church after 35 years of dynamic and committed service; and
- 4 WHEREAS, this outstanding man of God has worked tirelessly throughout his life to spread
5 the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to improve his community, state, and nation through his
6 ministry; and
- 7 WHEREAS, under his leadership and direction, Roswell Street Baptist Church has grown
8 to over 9,000 members; established day care, preschool, kindergarten, and elementary
9 education programs; established a Christian radio station and television and radio ministries;
10 and established programs for pregnant women and unwed mothers; and
- 11 WHEREAS, his influence has been felt throughout the state, the nation, and the world
12 through his television broadcasts, his mission activities, his sermons and speeches, and his
13 work as chairman of the National Board of Trustees of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes,
14 as president of the Georgia Baptist Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention Pastor's
15 Conference, as a member of the Georgia Policy Council for Families and Children, and as
16 a member of the Georgia State Task Force on Foster Child Care; and
- 17 WHEREAS, his outstanding efforts, commitment, and service have been recognized through
18 such honors as being named one of Georgia's 100 most influential people by Georgia Trend
19 magazine, being named citizen of the year by the Marietta Daily Journal, being the recipient
20 of the Cobb County Chamber of Commerce's public service award, and being the recipient
21 of the Cobb Bar Association's Liberty Bell Award; and
- 22 WHEREAS, his counsel and spiritual guidance have been often sought by persons near and
23 far, young and old, rich and poor, as amply demonstrated by the fact that he speaks to an

1 average of 100,000 students each year, he preached the inaugural messages for President
2 Jimmy Carter and for Governor Joe Frank Harris, and he is a frequent motivational and
3 inspirational speaker for schools, athletic teams, civic organizations, and church groups; and

4 WHEREAS, he is respected nationally and internationally for his eloquence and scholarship,
5 both in the spoken word and the written word, having authored 16 books of faith and
6 encouragement and having touched so many souls through his sermons; and

7 WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper to recognize and commend this distinguished pastor,
8 counselor, and leader for a career of incomparable service, commitment, and achievement.

9 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that this body congratulates
10 and commends Dr. Nelson L. Price for his career of tireless and selfless service, for his many
11 achievements, and for the positive impact his life and work has had on the millions of
12 persons whom he has touched around the globe through his ministry and extends to him best
13 wishes on his retirement.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
15 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Dr. Nelson L. Price.