

Senate Resolution 9EX1

By: Senator James of the 35th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and welcoming the Honorable George I. Akume; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, George I. Akume is the distinguished Governor of Benue State of Nigeria; and
- 3 WHEREAS, his swearing in as Governor on May 29, 1999, signaled a new dawn in Nigerian
4 politics; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Governor Akume's democratic election ushered in a period of civil rule and
6 promises to effect the eventual entrenchment of democracy in Benue State; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Benue is a state blessed with abundant mineral and agricultural potential, and
8 its people are hospitable, law abiding, and hard working; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Governor Akume has been singularly committed to serving the best interests
10 of his people and has waged a gallant fight to defend his people against all forms of
11 oppression and injustice; and
- 12 WHEREAS, he has striven for economic stability through greater development and is
13 spearheading progress and reform in industry, agriculture, education, health care, and
14 government; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Governor Akume, motivated by a great love for his homeland and compassion
16 for its people, has remained steadily committed to his vision of peace, prosperity, and
17 self-determination and has served bravely to that end.
- 18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that this body recognizes the
19 Honorable George I. Akume, Governor of Benue State of Nigeria, sincerely welcomes him
20 and his delegation to the State of Georgia, and expresses its appreciation for his genuine offer
21 of friendship to the people of the State of Georgia.

- 1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 2 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Honorable George I. Akume, Governor,
- 3 Benue State of Nigeria.