

Senate Resolution 34

By: Senators Thomas of the 2nd and Kemp of the 3rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the Reverend James "JC" Shipman on the occasion of his 20th anniversary
2 celebration; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Reverend James "JC" Shipman has served as the esteemed pastor of the historic
4 Bolton Street Missionary Baptist Church in Savannah, Georgia, for the past 20 years; and

5 WHEREAS, Reverend Shipman has been an extraordinary spiritual leader and a steadfast
6 source of guidance throughout his distinguished career with this great church; and

7 WHEREAS, he has served his community and the State of Georgia well; and

8 WHEREAS, a native of Liberty County, Georgia, he is the youngest child of Deacon L. B.
9 Shipman and Evangelist Juanita Baker Shipman and the grandson of the noted pastor and
10 civil rights trailblazer Reverend W. C. Shipman; and

11 WHEREAS, he is a graduate of the University of the District of Columbia and the Bryant
12 Theological Seminary and is a retired United States civil servant with more than 32 years of
13 military and civilian service; and

14 WHEREAS, he is the founding President of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Chapter of Blacks
15 in Government, founding President of region four Council of Blacks in Government, a
16 member of the Board of Director's of the Dorchester Improvement Association, President
17 of the Liberty County Branch of the NAACP, subscribing life member of the Ralph Mark
18 Gilbert Civil Rights Museum, and mayor of the City of Midway; and

19 WHEREAS, Reverend Shipman's many achievements will stand as symbols of dignity,
20 pride, and honor for generations to come.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
2 honor the Reverend James "JC" Shipman on the occasion of his 20th anniversary and express
3 to him their immense gratitude and respect.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
5 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Reverend James "JC" Shipman.