

Senate Resolution 694

By: Senator Dean of the 31st

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Mr. Robert L. Parks for his many contributions to the Cedartown community;  
2 and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Robert L. Parks has been a selfless political activist, dedicating much of his  
4 life to bringing racial equality to the Polk County school system for teachers, personnel, and  
5 students alike; and

6 WHEREAS, this native son of Georgia was born in Spalding County but relocated to  
7 Cedartown in 1947; and

8 WHEREAS, he was so respected for his leadership and influence in the community that  
9 when integration came to Polk County's schools in the 1960's, Cedartown's long-time chief  
10 of police, W. M. Moss, called upon Mr. Parks to help calm racial tensions in the community  
11 at a time when violence threatened to spill out into the streets; and

12 WHEREAS, for his integrity, he has earned the respect of his community and proven himself  
13 to be one of Cedartown's foremost leadership figures, black or white; and

14 WHEREAS, he has long been a civil rights proponent and has often set the pace in taking  
15 action for what he thinks is right and just; and

16 WHEREAS, he has sought to build bridges across racial divides within his community and  
17 in so doing, has earned the respect of all; and

18 WHEREAS, for his many contributions and leadership within his community, it is both  
19 fitting and proper that this body honors Mr. Robert Parks.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
2 commend Mr. Robert L. Parks for his many contributions to the Cedartown community and  
3 for his efforts to make Cedartown a better place for all to live.

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 Mr. Robert Parks.