

Senate Resolution 1199

By: Senators Meyer von Bremen of the 12th, Brown of the 26th, Blich of the 7th, Dean of the 31st, Thompson of the 33rd and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Honorable Connie Stokes; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, the Honorable Connie Stokes was first elected to the Georgia General
3 Assembly's Senate in 1994 and she has capably represented her constituents, her family, and
4 this state with honor and integrity; and

5 WHEREAS, Ms. Stokes is a successful and enterprising businesswoman practicing in real
6 estate and is a distinguished former president of the Women's Council of National
7 Association of Real Estate Brokers; and

8 WHEREAS, as a state senator, Ms. Stokes lends her strong voice and tenacious support in
9 the call for proper and affordable housing for all Georgians and is a tireless advocate on
10 behalf of everyday citizens trying to realize the American dream of home ownership; and

11 WHEREAS, as chairperson of the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services and
12 Governor Roy Barnes's Senate Floor Leader, her superior leadership skills allowed her to
13 lead the fight to ensure the availability of quality, affordable health care for all the residents
14 of this state; and

15 WHEREAS, she has also dutifully and skillfully served as a member of the Senate Banking
16 and Financial Institutions Committee, the Senate Insurance and Labor Committee, and the
17 Senate Special Judiciary Committee and time and again has sponsored or cosponsored
18 legislation that has had a significant and positive impact upon the lives of those living and
19 working in this state; and

20 WHEREAS, she is a dedicated member of the American Red Cross Advisory Board, the
21 Women's Resource Center to End Domestic Abuse Board, the International Women's
22 Forum, and the National Congress of Black Women; and

1 WHEREAS, she is a graduate of the Georgia State University School of Business and is
2 married to the love of her life, Dr. James A. Stokes, and together they share a loving devotion
3 for their three sons and their glorious grandson, Aiden.

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
5 recognize the Honorable Connie Stokes for her selfless service to this state and its citizens
6 and recognize her as one of the foremost advocates and experts of health care issues in this
7 state and express their best wishes for future success and happiness.

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
9 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Honorable Connie Stokes.