

Senate Resolution 45

By: Senators Staton of the 18th, Brown of the 26th, Harp of the 29th, Carter of the 13th, Tolleson of the 20th and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Expressing regret at the passing of William Augustus Bootle; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, on January 25, 2005, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest and most
3 distinguished citizens with the passing of William Augustus Bootle at 102 years of age; and
- 4 WHEREAS, this exceptional individual exhibited outstanding leadership in all of his life,
5 including his service to this state and nation as a judge of the United States District Court for
6 the Middle District of Georgia from 1954 until 1970 and as a senior judge of that court until
7 1981, and showed the courage of his convictions and his commitment to the law in his court
8 decisions desegregating Georgia's colleges and universities and upholding the civil rights of
9 all citizens; and
- 10 WHEREAS, his unparalleled organizational and leadership talents, his remarkable patience
11 and diplomacy, his keen sense of vision, and his acute sensitivity to the needs of the citizens
12 of his community and state earned him the respect and admiration of his colleagues and
13 associates; and
- 14 WHEREAS, the passing of this generous, kind, and devoted man leaves an unfillable void
15 in the hearts and lives of his family and friends.
- 16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
17 express their deepest and most sincere regret at the passing of William Augustus Bootle.
- 18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
19 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of William Augustus Bootle.