

Senate Resolution 854

By: Senators Seay of the 34th, Reed of the 35th, Miles of the 43rd, Starr of the 44th, Tate of the 38th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Ms. Myrna May White and congratulating her on being named the director of
2 the Office of Public Affairs for the Department of Aviation at Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta
3 International Airport; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, Ms. Myrna May White has been named the director of the Office of Public
5 Affairs for the Department of Aviation at Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport;
6 and

7 WHEREAS, she is a 1977 graduate of Dublin High School and a 1981 graduate of the
8 University of Georgia School of Journalism, and prior to entering her current field she was
9 the bureau chief for the *Columbus Ledger-Enquirer* newspaper; and

10 WHEREAS, Ms. White began her aviation career 14 years ago by conducting public
11 information workshops to educate the community about the airport's plans to build a fifth
12 runway, helping to gain surrounding neighborhoods' acceptance of this critical project; and

13 WHEREAS, prior to being named director of the Office of Public Affairs, Ms. White was
14 manager of intergovernmental affairs for the department, where she was responsible for
15 developing and executing legislative strategy and liaising with elected officials on local,
16 state, and federal issues; and

17 WHEREAS, as director, Ms. White will oversee the managers of several areas within the
18 Office of Public Affairs, including intergovernmental affairs, media relations, community
19 relations, the Office of Protocol, special events, graphics, public relations, and web content
20 coordination; and

21 WHEREAS, outside of her busy professional life, Ms. White is a pillar of her community,
22 serving on the boards of several civic organizations, and is the only African American
23 woman to have been elected chair of the South Fulton Chamber of Commerce; and

1 WHEREAS, her many remarkable achievements have earned her numerous accolades,
2 including being named an Outstanding Georgia Citizen by Secretary of State Cathy Cox and
3 as one of Georgia's Most Powerful and Influential Women in Government by *Women*
4 *Looking Ahead* magazine; and

5 WHEREAS, Ms. White's integrity, leadership, and commitment to professional excellence
6 make this extraordinary lady the perfect choice to head the Office of Public Affairs at the
7 world's busiest airport.

8 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
9 join in commending Ms. Myrna May White on her many outstanding accomplishments and
10 congratulate her on being named the Director of the Office of Public Affairs for the
11 Department of Aviation at Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport.

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
13 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Ms. Myrna May White.