

Senate Resolution 1212

By: Senator Kemp of the 46th

### A RESOLUTION

1 Expressing regret at the passing of JoeAnn Willoughby Mitchell; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, on January 1, 2006, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest and most  
3 distinguished citizens with the passing of JoeAnn Willoughby Mitchell; and

4 WHEREAS, she was a woman of deep and abiding faith who was an active member of her  
5 church, and she participated in civic organizations; and

6 WHEREAS, she began a career as a nurse at St. Mary's Hospital in 1962; and

7 WHEREAS, she retired in 2005 after 43 years as a nurse, most of those working in labor,  
8 delivery, and the nursery; and

9 WHEREAS, in honor of her outstanding service, officials at St. Mary's Hospital dedicated  
10 the renovated hospital nursery in her name, assuring that she will long be remembered in the  
11 halls she walked for so many years; and

12 WHEREAS, her deep personal commitment to her duties as well as her great compassion for  
13 the people she served earned for her the respect and admiration of the doctors with whom she  
14 worked and love of her patients; and

15 WHEREAS, she was a distinguished lady with a generous heart whose lifetime of patient and  
16 kind service helped so many others; and

17 WHEREAS, the devotion, patience, and understanding she demonstrated provided the  
18 foundation and framework of success in which all of her family members have developed  
19 and flourished; and

1 WHEREAS, this distinguished senior gentlewoman gave inspiration to many through her  
2 high ideals, morals, and deep concern for her fellow citizens and she possessed the vast  
3 wisdom which only comes through experience and the strength of character which is  
4 achieved through overcoming the many challenges of life; and

5 WHEREAS, she was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation  
6 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness and, by the example she made of her life,  
7 she made this world a better place in which to live.

8 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
9 express their deepest and most sincere regret at the passing of JoeAnn Willoughby Mitchell.

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
11 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of JoeAnn Willoughby  
12 Mitchell.