

Senate Resolution 1263

By: Senators Miles of the 43rd, Seay of the 34th, Butler of the 55th and Thomas of the 2nd

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Mrs. Peggy Stokes Nielson; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Mrs. Nielson is a magna cum laude graduate of Emory College at Emory
3 University in Atlanta, Georgia, and serves as president of Nielson & Associates, a national
4 communications and strategic planning consulting firm where she currently focuses on
5 helping businesses, local communities, and funding sources to maximize their investments
6 of financial and human capital; and

7 WHEREAS, throughout her career, Mrs. Nielson has worked with the business, government,
8 and volunteer sectors in strategic planning, communicating ideas, and influencing public
9 policy issues and attitudes; and

10 WHEREAS, her many valued projects include collaborating with the Centers for Disease
11 Control and Prevention in Atlanta, Georgia, to create national partnerships in the business,
12 government, and religious sectors for effective local community response to national health
13 challenges; working with state school superintendents and public health officers across the
14 nation to build support for comprehensive school health programs as part of the national
15 effort to improve student health, performance, and academic success; and being instrumental
16 in getting information to Georgia cities on the new managed health care program; and

17 WHEREAS, a true community leader, she gives generously of her time and talent as
18 demonstrated by her service on the Georgia Board of Education representing southwest
19 Georgia, as a member of the Board of Visitors for the Kenan-Flagler Business School at
20 UNC-Chapel Hill, and as founder of an innovative business/education alliance which has
21 brought millions of dollars to her community for education since 1994; and

22 WHEREAS, she is a published author and popular speaker and has received numerous
23 awards for her volunteer efforts which focus on the creative use of "people power" to achieve
24 goals and multiply resources; and

1 WHEREAS, Peggy Nielson is a devoted member of the United Methodist Church and a
2 loving wife and mother to her husband, Dr. Craig M. Nielson, and their three sons; and

3 WHEREAS, as Women's History Month, March, 2006, is set aside to celebrate and honor
4 those women who have contributed their time and talents to the betterment of this state and
5 this nation, it is only fitting and proper that Mrs. Nielson be recognized on this highly
6 significant occasion.

7 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
8 join in commending Mrs. Peggy Stokes Nielson for her exemplary public service to the State
9 of Georgia and in extending their sincere best wishes for her continued success.

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 Mrs. Peggy Stokes Nielson.