

Senate Resolution 337

By: Senators Seay of the 34th, Davenport of the 44th, Tate of the 38th and Butler of the 55th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Mr. Douglas Hodge; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Mr. Douglas Hodge is a man of many talents: he is a published author, an
3 accomplished actor and producer, and a retired United States Army Master Sergeant; and

4 WHEREAS, during his military career, he was known as an officer who not only looked out
5 for his soldiers but also required each of them to give their full measure of dedication, and
6 he has recruited over 400 young people into military service; and

7 WHEREAS, as an actor, Doug has performed in a number of film productions such as Stomp
8 The Yard, Drum Line, Unshackled, and Remember the Titans; television programs such as
9 "Mama Flora's Family," "Selma Lord Selma," and "Savannah"; and television commercials
10 for such sponsors as Mayfield Dairy, the United States Army, Delta, IBM, Ford Motors, and
11 CNN; and has recently appeared as "The Professor" in the memorable "Thanks A Million"
12 commercial for the Georgia Lottery; and

13 WHEREAS, he has been instrumental in organizing a number of community events and
14 benefits, including acting workshops at Clayton State University, A Little Bit of Cabaret at
15 Fort McPherson, the Spring Affair Show, the Annual Hodge Family Memorial Day
16 Celebration, and the Foster Children's Christmas Party, an event that provided individual
17 gifts for over 100 foster children; and

18 WHEREAS, he is a gifted teacher who takes great pleasure in helping other people to grow
19 beyond their personal barriers and realize their full potential in all of their endeavors; and

20 WHEREAS, despite the fact that Doug learned to read at the late age of 12, he is a
21 world-class speaker and an eloquent poet and has authored a number of books, including
22 Book of Life, Visions, and Generations; and

1 WHEREAS, he was selected in 1995 to be included in the "Who's Who Worldwide" registry;
2 and

3 WHEREAS, he is lovingly married to Barbara Gibbs Hodge, and the two are indispensable
4 pillars of the community; and

5 WHEREAS, throughout his amazing life, Douglas Hodge has commanded the esteem of his
6 fellow Americans, and his many outstanding accomplishments have brought honor to his
7 family, colleagues, this state, and the United States.

8 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
9 join together to recognize the inspirational life of Mr. Douglas Hodge, commend his
10 extensive service to Georgia and the United States, and extend to him their sincerest best
11 wishes for a healthy and fulfilling future.

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 Mr. Douglas Hodge.