

Senate Resolution 580

By: Senator Smith of the 52nd

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Jim Williams, executive director of the YMCA of Rome and Floyd County,
2 on the occasion of his retirement; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Jim Williams has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the vital
4 role that he has played in community leadership and his deep personal commitment to the
5 welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, everyone who has ever been to the YMCA of Rome and Floyd County has
7 benefited from the unparalleled dedication and leadership of Jim Williams throughout his 35
8 years of phenomenal service to the association and the communities which it serves; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Williams started at the YMCA straight out of college under former director
10 Jerry Bryant and took over as executive director upon Bryant's retirement in 1991; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Williams has had such an everlasting impact on the citizens of Rome and
12 Floyd County through his efforts to help people, especially kids, through the YMCA, which
13 serves more than 4,000 members, awards more than 1,800 scholarships a year, and provides
14 programs ranging from sports leagues to day camps, gymnastics, and swimming lessons; and

15 WHEREAS, he has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,
16 talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state using his significant
17 organizational and leadership talents, his remarkable patience and diplomacy, and his keen
18 sense of vision, earning him the respect and admiration of his colleagues and associates; and

19 WHEREAS, he is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for
20 integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and

1 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments and
2 years of devoted service of this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately
3 recognized.

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
5 commend Jim Williams for his dedicated service to the citizens of Rome and Floyd County,
6 convey to him their heartiest congratulations upon the occasion of his retirement, and extend
7 to him their sincerest best wishes for continued health, happiness, and fulfillment.

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
9 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Jim Williams.