

Senate Resolution 1103

By: Senator Brown of the 26th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Greater Antioch Missionary Baptist Church on the occasion
2 of its 141st anniversary; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, in March, 2010, Greater Antioch Missionary Baptist Church celebrates its 141st
4 year of faithful worship since the church was first organized; and

5 WHEREAS, since its founding, Greater Antioch Missionary Baptist Church has known some
6 of the Lord's finest servants, beginning with the leadership of Pastor Albert Campbell, Pastor
7 Frank Deloney, and Pastor E.W. Hoyt; and

8 WHEREAS, shortly after Pastor Hoyt answered his summons for eternal rest on August 1,
9 1956, the church building was unfortunately destroyed by fire, but the congregation
10 persevered through the grace of God and the wonderful hospitality of Mount Calvary Baptist
11 Church; and

12 WHEREAS, the church was rebuilt in 1958 under the leadership of Pastor W.M. Hall, and
13 the church experienced a time of great revival that continued through the watchful
14 stewardship of Pastor Nehemiah Collins, Sr.; and

15 WHEREAS, under the leadership of a former pastor, the church has been blessed with a
16 number of new additions, including the purchase of a 32-passenger bus, a new audio sound
17 system, and a lighted display for the church's exterior; and

18 WHEREAS, over the span of its many years, this congregation has experienced occasions
19 for both jubilation and sorrow, but their church has remained a symbol of the spirit and
20 lifeblood of the community during three different centuries of Georgia history.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
22 recognize the rich history of Greater Antioch Missionary Baptist Church, congratulate it on

23 the occasion of its 141st anniversary, and extend their warmest best wishes for its continued
24 growth and success.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
26 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Greater Antioch Missionary Baptist
27 Church.