

Senate Resolution 1192

By: Senators James of the 35th, Fort of the 39th, Orrock of the 36th, Butler of the 55th,  
Brown of the 26th and others

#### A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Reverend Dr. Barbara Lewis King; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Reverend Dr. Barbara Lewis King has long been recognized for her active  
3 leadership roles in her community and throughout this state and her deep commitment to  
4 spreading the Word of God to others; and
- 5 WHEREAS, a native of Houston, Texas, Reverend King was greatly influenced by her  
6 grandmother, Ida Bates Lewis, an active woman in the church, and her father, Lee Andrew  
7 Lewis, the first African American motion picture operator in Texas; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Reverend King was called to serve the Lord at an early age and began teaching  
9 Sunday school at Antioch Baptist Church at the age of 13 and had her first public speaking  
10 engagement as Women's Day speaker at 15; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Reverend King earned a bachelor's degree in sociology from Texas Southern  
12 University and a master's degree in social work administration from Atlanta University and  
13 is the founding minister of the Hillside Chapel and Truth Center, Inc., in Atlanta, Georgia;  
14 and
- 15 WHEREAS, she has demonstrated her commitment to teaching the Gospel, witnessing Christ  
16 through word and deed, and addressing the physical, psychological, intellectual, and spiritual  
17 needs of others throughout the world, traveling extensively throughout the United States and  
18 to Finland, Russia, England, Israel, Egypt, Kenya, Senegal, South Africa, the Caribbean,  
19 Brazil, and British Guiana; and
- 20 WHEREAS, an accomplished author, Reverend King has written seven books and  
21 monologues and hosts her own television program, A New Thought, A New Life; and

22 WHEREAS, Reverend King has been featured in several magazines, including *Savoy*  
23 *Magazine*, *Newsweek*, *Essence Magazine*, *Dollars and Sense Magazine*, *Focus*, *Atlanta*  
24 *Magazine*, *Upscale*, and *Gospel Music Ministry Connection Magazine*; and

25 WHEREAS, her commitment to uplifting the lives of others has been recognized with  
26 numerous honors and awards, including an Atlanta Gospel Choice Award, Phenomenal  
27 Mother of the Year Award from the Nu Lambda Omega Chapter of the Alpha Kappa Alpha  
28 Sorority, an Inspiring Women 2000 Millennium Award from HUSH PRODUCTIONS, and  
29 a NOBEL Women Shining Star Award, and was inducted into the Atlanta Business League  
30 Hall of Fame, the Georgia's Most Powerful and Influential Women list, and the International  
31 Hall of Honor Portraits in the Martin Luther King, Jr., Chapel at Morehouse College; and

32 WHEREAS, Reverend King gives selflessly of her time, talents, and energy to numerous  
33 community organizations such as the Atlanta Women's Network, the Christian Council of  
34 Metropolitan Atlanta, Women's Chamber of Commerce Atlanta, and Atlanta Medical  
35 Heritage, just to name a few; and

36 WHEREAS, the unmatched spiritual assistance offered by Reverend King is a source of  
37 strength and direction for persons in all walks of life and from all economic strata; and

38 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this enduring example of God's message  
39 of peace and love be recognized and congratulated for her innumerable good works rendered  
40 on behalf of persons in need.

41 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
42 commend Reverend Dr. Barbara Lewis King for her service to the Lord and her amazing  
43 work spreading God's message of hope, love, and compassion throughout the world.

44 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
45 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Reverend Dr. Barbara Lewis King.