

Senate Resolution 1539

By: Senators Ramsey, Sr. of the 43rd and Buckner of the 44th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Reverend Cheryl R. Collins; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Reverend Cheryl L. Collins has demonstrated her commitment to teaching the
3 Gospel, witnessing Christ through word and deed, and addressing the physical,
4 psychological, intellectual, and spiritual needs of others; and

5 WHEREAS, Reverend Collins served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with
6 the United States Army where she was awarded the Bronze Star Medal of Valor for her
7 service; and

8 WHEREAS, a native of Louisiana, Reverend Collins studied Christian education at the
9 Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, Georgia; and

10 WHEREAS, her vision and direction have helped Pleasant Hill C.M.E. Church grow in size
11 and influence, uplifting the community like the light of Bethlehem and serving as a spiritual
12 leader and place for fellowship; and

13 WHEREAS, affectionately known as "Preacher Girl," Reverend Collins has been recognized
14 with numerous honors and awards, including the Servant of the Year Award; and

15 WHEREAS, she was called upon by the Commanding General of the United States Army
16 to escort prisoners of war home from the Gulf War; and

17 WHEREAS, whether the task is preparing a sermon, visiting the sick, counseling the
18 troubled, baptizing a new believer, or acting as a theologian, educator, administrator, or
19 humanitarian, Reverend Collins serves as a shining example of God's righteous path; and

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

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

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
26 commend Reverend Cheryl R. Collins on her amazing service to her congregation and
27 community and extend best wishes for many more years of successful fellowship and
28 leadership.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
30 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Reverend Cheryl R. Collins.