

Senate Resolution 596

By: Senators Tarver of the 22nd, Powell of the 23rd and Jackson of the 24th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Reverend Dr. Sam Davis; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Reverend Dr. Sam Davis was born on March 17, 1949, in Barnwell, South
3 Carolina, the beloved son of Reverend James and Wilhelmina Davis; and

4 WHEREAS, Dr. Davis earned a bachelor's degree in business administration from Voorhees
5 College, a master's degree in clinical education and pastoral counseling from Morehouse
6 School of Religion, and a doctoral degree in ministry from Columbia Theological Seminary;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, in 1984, Dr. Davis became pastor of Beulah Grove Baptist Church in Augusta,
9 Georgia, where his vision and guidance have allowed the church to reach great heights,
10 increasing membership by 5,000, implementing over 85 ministries, and employing 53
11 members of the community; and

12 WHEREAS, Dr. Davis has established an aggressive evangelism campaign that includes a
13 multimedia initiative of radio and television, a ministry presence on the Internet, and a not
14 for profit newspaper that seeks to share the Word of God in print media; and

15 WHEREAS, with a mission of Seek, Save, Shape, Support, and Serve, Beulah Grove Baptist
16 Church has opened the Jacob Wells Bookstore, seen the building of Faithview Estates for
17 first-time home buyers, and the creation of the Vision Builders National Conference with the
18 mission of educating, empowering, and equipping; and

19 WHEREAS, under his guidance, Beulah Grove Baptist Church has developed three nonprofit
20 organizations, the Beulah Grove Community Resource Center, Inc., 30901 Development
21 Corporation, and Kingdom Kids Christian Academy; and

22 WHEREAS, a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., Dr. Davis is a notable author of
23 five books and the CEO of Joyful Sound Ministry; and

24 WHEREAS, the unmatched spiritual assistance offered by Dr. Davis for the past 25 years has
25 been a source of strength, inspiration, and direction for persons in all walks of life and from
26 all economic strata, and he continues to serve as an inspiration to countless Georgians and
27 Americans each day with his acts of kindness and compassion.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
29 commend Reverend Dr. Sam Davis for his unparalleled record of community service and his
30 innumerable good works rendered on behalf of persons in need, congratulate him for 25
31 years of service to Beulah Grove Baptist Church, the City of Augusta, and Richmond
32 County, and extend to him their most sincere best wishes for continued health and happiness.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
34 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Reverend Dr. Sam Davis.