

## Senate Resolution 191

By: Senators Davenport of the 44th, Tate of the 38th, James of the 35th, Fort of the 39th, Seay of the 34th and others

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Carolyn Virginia Brown Crowder; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Carolyn Virginia Brown Crowder has long been recognized by the citizens of  
3 Atlanta for the vital role that she has played in leadership and her deep personal commitment  
4 to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and
- 5 WHEREAS, she was educated at Oglethorpe Elementary School, Jonesboro Colored  
6 Elementary School, Fountain High School, and Price High School; and
- 7 WHEREAS, she has long had a keen interest in education, and she served as a parent  
8 volunteer at T.H. Slater Elementary School, a grade parent and P.T.A. officer at Guice  
9 Elementary School, president of the Fulton High School P.T.A., first African-American  
10 president of the Atlanta Council P.T.A., and first African-American director of the Georgia  
11 P.T.A. Eighth District Council; and
- 12 WHEREAS, she organized the Band Booster Club at Fulton High School and served as  
13 president for four years; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Mrs. Crowder served as a member of the Atlanta Board of Education, District  
15 8 representative, from 1973 to 1989 and served as vice president for one term, and as a public  
16 servant she was truly an advocate for children of the Atlanta Public Schools; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Mrs. Crowder organized and conducted the Clayton County Black History Quiz  
18 Bowl at Andrews Chapel United Methodist Church in Jonesboro for approximately ten years,  
19 and this event inspired citizens to learn about African American contributions and  
20 achievements and encouraged students to study Black history; and

21 WHEREAS, an active member of Andrews Chapel United Methodist Church since 1959, she  
22 became the children's choir director and pianist in 1966 and served until her retirement in  
23 December, 2010; and

24 WHEREAS, she has been married to Paul Crowder for 53 years, and the couple has six  
25 children, 21 grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren; and

26 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this  
27 remarkable, heroic, and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
29 commend Carolyn Virginia Brown Crowder for her years of efficient, effective, unselfish,  
30 and dedicated public service to the citizens of her community and state and extend to her  
31 their most sincere best wishes for continued health and happiness.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
33 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Carolyn Virginia Brown Crowder.