

Senate Resolution 306

By: Senators Williams of the 19th and Butterworth of the 50th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Mr. David R. Smith; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Mr. David R. Smith has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for
3 the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the
4 education of Georgia students; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Smith has served as president of Brewton-Parker College for the last 13
6 years and has recently accepted a position at Texas' Dallas Baptist University as chairman
7 of the Master of Arts program; and

8 WHEREAS, during his tenure with Brewton-Parker College, the school has seen significant
9 growth in campus services, reaffirmation by the Southern Association of Colleges and
10 Schools, and the restoration of the college's integrity after a financial aid crisis in the 1990's;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, since Mr. Smith took office as president of Brewton-Parker College in 1998,
13 the school celebrated its centennial anniversary, completed the Snooks Student Activities
14 Center, and raised more than \$55 million in capital, general fund, and endowment gifts; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Smith's significant organizational and leadership talents, his remarkable
16 patience and diplomacy, his keen sense of vision, and his sensitivity to the needs of students
17 have earned him the respect and admiration of his colleagues and associates; and

18 WHEREAS, Mr. Smith has served with honor and distinction as president of Brewton-Parker
19 College and his vision and unyielding commitment will be sorely missed upon his move to
20 Texas; and

21 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
22 remarkable and distinguished gentleman be appropriately recognized.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
24 commend Mr. David R. Smith for his efficient, effective, unselfish, and dedicated public
25 service to Brewton-Parker College; congratulate him on his new assignment; and extend to
26 him their most sincere best wishes for continued health and happiness.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
28 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. David R. Smith.