

Senate Resolution 599

By: Senators Tate of the 38th, Sims of the 12th, Fort of the 39th, Butler of the 55th, Seay of the 34th and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Mrs. Virginia C. Barnett Tate; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Mrs. Virginia C. Barnett Tate has long been recognized by the citizens of this
3 state for the vital role that she has played in leadership and her deep personal commitment
4 to the education of the students of Georgia; and
- 5 WHEREAS, a native of Athens, Georgia, Mrs. Tate graduated from Athens High and
6 Industrial School, earned a bachelor's degree from West Virginia State College and a master's
7 degree from Columbia University's Teachers College, and furthered her education at the
8 University of Kentucky, Fort Valley State College, and Atlanta University; and
- 9 WHEREAS, she began her distinguished career in education at Greensboro High School and
10 taught at Moore Elementary School before entering the Atlanta Public School System as the
11 Area Resource Coordinator of Career Education for Area I; and
- 12 WHEREAS, during her 39 year career as an educator, Mrs. Tate has held leadership
13 positions in local, regional, and state education associations, including the Atlanta
14 Association of Educators, the Griffin-Spalding Teachers and Education Association, the
15 Georgia Association of Educators, and the National Education Association; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Mrs. Tate has been recognized with numerous honors and accolades, including
17 Griffin-Spalding System Teacher of the Year, Bronze Woman of the Year in Education, and
18 the Distinguished Alumni Award from West Virginia State University; and
- 19 WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, Mrs. Tate is an active member of Radcliff
20 Presbyterian USA Church of Atlanta, where she serves as a Sunday school teacher, sings in
21 the choir, and is active in the Feeding Ministry, Stewardship and Mission Interpretation
22 Committee, and Presbyterian Women Committee; and

23 WHEREAS, Mrs. Tate has been united in love and marriage to her husband for 52 wonderful
24 years, is the proud mother of two daughters, and has a remarkable grandchild and delightful
25 great-grandchild; and

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

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
29 commend Mrs. Virginia C. Barnett Tate for her sacrifice, foresight, accomplishment, and
30 contributions on behalf of education in Georgia and recognize the positive influence she has
31 had upon the lives and futures of countless young people in this state.

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 Mrs. Virginia C. Barnett Tate.