

Senate Resolution 640

By: Senator Ramsey, Sr. of the 43rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Congratulating Mrs. Anna Dillard on the grand occasion of her 100th birthday; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, on November 11, 1911, Anna Lewis Dillard was born the first child and only
4 daughter to two loving parents, George and Thannie Marie Lewis, in Herndon, Georgia; and

5 WHEREAS, at the age of eight, along with three brothers, she left Georgia and moved with
6 their mother to Rahway, New Jersey, where she attended school; and

7 WHEREAS, she left school after the eighth grade and worked as a maid and cook at Rahway
8 Hospital for a number of years to help send her younger brother to college; and

9 WHEREAS, at the age of 27, she married the late Gus Curtis of Rahway, New Jersey, and
10 in 1942 she became employed at M&T Chemicals of Rahway, New Jersey, as a chemical
11 glass washer and technician until she retired in 1976 at the age of 65; and

12 WHEREAS, Anna gave birth to four daughters who she encouraged to finish school and live
13 moral godly lives, she is known as a very giving person who loves people and gets along
14 with everyone; and

15 WHEREAS, in 1959, she remarried the late Ernest Dillard, and after retirement she engaged
16 in various part-time jobs, such as caring for the elderly, cooking for a day care, and being a
17 child care provider; and

18 WHEREAS, Anna moved back to Georgia in 1991 and resided in Decatur with her youngest
19 daughter and family. She immediately became involved with the Dekalb Senior Center on
20 Candler Road in Decatur, where she presided as site president for a term; and

21 WHEREAS, Mrs. Dillard currently resides with her daughter and son-in-law in Conyers and
22 is an active participant at the Olivia Haydel Senior Center in Conyers. She is a member of
23 New Covenant Christian Ministries in Lithonia; and

24 WHEREAS, Georgia is honored to have this distinguished centenarian as one of its citizens,
25 and she is wished many more years of health and happiness.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
27 join together to congratulate Mrs. Anna Dillard and extend their best wishes on the happy
28 event of her 100th birthday.

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 Mrs. Anna Dillard.