

Senate Resolution 671

By: Senators Williams of the 19th, Hill of the 4th and Carter of the 1st

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Sheriff Cecil Nobles; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens
3 with the passing of Sheriff Cecil Nobles on January 9, 2012; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Sheriff Nobles was born on February 21, 1935, in Long County, a beloved son
5 of Raymond Elliot and Minnie Baxter Nobles; and
- 6 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Sheriff Nobles was an active member of Jones
7 Creek Baptist Church; and
- 8 WHEREAS, he gave 51 years of service to public office, 11 terms as sheriff and two terms
9 as coroner, and was the longest serving sheriff in the State of Georgia as well as the second
10 longest serving sheriff in the United States; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Sheriff Nobles was united in love and marriage to Peggy DeLoach Nobles and
12 was blessed with three remarkable sons, James Cecil, Jr., Kenneth Elliot, and Craig William;
13 and
- 14 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern
15 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his
16 family and friends were admired by others; and
- 17 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
18 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and, by the example he made of his life, he
19 made this world a better place in which to live; and
- 20 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Sheriff Cecil Nobles will long be
21 remembered for his devotion to public service, his commitment to law enforcement, and his

22 love for family and friends, and this loyal husband, father, son, and friend will be missed by
23 all who has the great fortune of knowing him.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
25 join in honoring the life and memory of Sheriff Cecil Nobles and express their deepest and
26 most sincere regret at his passing.

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 the family of Sheriff Cecil Nobles.