

Senate Resolution 680

By: Senator Carter of the 1st

### A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the life and works of the Honorable John C. Fremont; and for  
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, John C. Fremont was born on January 21, 1813, in Savannah, Georgia, and  
4 would distinguish himself as one of the most dedicated Georgians of the 19th century; and

5 WHEREAS, he found a commitment to serving the greater good by which he entered into  
6 the service of the Atlantic Fleet as one of the first commissioned educators of the United  
7 States Navy; and

8 WHEREAS, he received his degree from the College of Charleston, an accomplishment for  
9 a man of his time that demonstrated the importance of a higher education; and

10 WHEREAS, as one of the earliest adventurers and the first to explore much of what was the  
11 Wild West of North America, he helped map the Oregon Trail through the Northwest  
12 Passage, placed Las Vegas, Nevada, on the map of record, and was a great friend to many  
13 tribal leaders and Native Americans of the West, instilling loyalty to help him in his mission  
14 to serve the Republic; and

15 WHEREAS, he was appointed by the newly constituted State of California to serve as its first  
16 United States Senator; and

17 WHEREAS, advocating for the abolition of slavery, he became a leader of his day by  
18 establishing a new political movement dedicated to complete freedom for any and all  
19 enslaved and issued an order that has become known as the Nation's First Emancipation in  
20 1861; and

21 WHEREAS, he served with great distinction in his noble course of a long life as the man  
22 from Savannah, Georgia, who helped expand the nation from sea to sea; and

23 WHEREAS, the Honorable John C. Fremont embodied the true spirit of a Georgia citizen  
24 and an American with his devotion to the service of his country, and his many achievements  
25 are worthy of recognition.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
27 recognize and commend the life and works of the Honorable John C. Fremont.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
29 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of the Honorable John  
30 C. Fremont.