

Senate Resolution 804

By: Senators James of the 35th, Davenport of the 44th, Seay of the 34th and Fort of the 39th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Ambassador Cheick Sidi Diarra; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, there is a bond of friendship between the citizens of Georgia and West Africa,
3 and the people of Georgia welcome opportunities to grow our already deep relationship at
4 all levels, including cultural, academic, and business; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Ambassador Cheick Sidi Diarra has over 25 years of professional experience
6 in international relations, law, and development; and
- 7 WHEREAS, he obtained master's degrees in international public law and international
8 relations from Dakar University in Senegal; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Ambassador Diarra has first-hand knowledge and experience of bilateral and
10 multilateral relations and proven skills in international negotiations and consensus-building;
11 and
- 12 WHEREAS, he was involved in the national reconciliation efforts of Mali which paved the
13 road to the country's peaceful and democratic development; and
- 14 WHEREAS, he has been actively involved in furthering African integration efforts and the
15 African development agenda at the international level and has served as one of the lead
16 negotiators on these issues at the African Union summits since 1982; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Ambassador Diarra has made important contributions to the reform process of
18 the United Nations aimed at strengthening the global role of the organization in economic
19 and development matters; and

20 WHEREAS, he has been an active advocate for the cause of Africa, the Least Developed
21 Countries, and the Landlocked Developing Countries, and he was recently elected as
22 Chairman of the Group of Landlocked Developing Countries; and

23 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of
24 this distinguished gentleman be appropriately recognized.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
26 commend Ambassador Cheick Sidi Diarra and recognize him for his incredible career and
27 diplomatic service.

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 Ambassador Cheick Sidi Diarra.