

Senate Resolution 832

By: Senators Sims of the 12th, Fort of the 39th, Butler of the 55th, Davis of the 22nd and Paris of the 26th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring and celebrating the 100th birthday of Mrs. Grace Virginia Richardson Humphrey
2 Cutts; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mrs. Grace Virginia Richardson Humphrey Cutts was born on March 2, 1912,
4 in Dawson, Georgia, a beloved daughter of Walter Revenna Richardson and Clara Louise
5 Cochran Richardson; and

6 WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, Mrs. Grace is a 92 year member of
7 Adoration Temperance Obedience Charity African Methodist Episcopal (AME) Church in
8 Dawson where she has been a Sunday School teacher for more than 44 years, the church
9 pianist, secretary, a stewardess; and

10 WHEREAS, she was united in marriage to the late Calvin Homer Humphrey, and from this
11 union they were blessed with one remarkable son, Calvin Walter Humphrey; three wonderful
12 grandchildren, Cheryle Granito Humphrey, Calvin Ricardo Humphrey, and Kimberly
13 Humphrey-Brown; and two adored great-grandchildren, Alida Helen Browne and Matthew
14 Darryl Browne; and

15 WHEREAS, Mrs. Cutts was united in love and marriage to the late Sammie Lee Cutts for 30
16 wonderful years; and

17 WHEREAS, despite the lack of educational facilities for African American children, Mrs.
18 Grace began her education at the Main Street Baptist Church, was then sent to
19 Lamson-Richardson School, graduated high school from Allen Normal and Industrial School,
20 and graduated from Georgia Normal and Agricultural College in 1949; and

21 WHEREAS, after 45 years of teaching, Mrs. Cutts retired from the classroom in 1976 and
22 continued to educate children with lessons she had previously taught when she cared for
23 them in order to allow their parents to work, most of whom continue to visit her today; and

24 WHEREAS, A.T.O.C. AME Church acknowledged her dedication and presented her an
25 award recognizing her as the Oldest Member; and

26 WHEREAS, this distinguished gentlewoman has given inspiration to many through her high
27 ideals, morals, and deep concern for her fellow citizens and she possesses the vast wisdom
28 which only comes through experience and the strength of character which is achieved
29 through overcoming the many challenges of life; and

30 WHEREAS, she is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for
31 integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example she has made of her life,
32 she makes this world a better place in which to live.

33 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
34 join in commending and honoring Mrs. Grace Virginia Richardson Humphrey Cutts on the
35 occasion of her 100th birthday and wishing her many more years of happiness.

36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
37 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mrs. Grace Virginia Richardson
38 Humphrey Cutts.