

Senate Resolution 986

By: Senator Harbison of the 15th

#### A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Reverend Jimmy Elder; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Reverend Jimmy Elder is a graduate of Mercer University and a member of its  
3 board of trustees; and
- 4 WHEREAS, he is the pastor of the First Baptist Church of Columbus, Georgia; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Reverend Elder demonstrates a commitment to teaching the Gospel, witnessing  
6 Christ through word and deed and addressing the physical, psychological, intellectual, and  
7 spiritual needs of others; and
- 8 WHEREAS, the unmatched spiritual assistance offered by Reverend Elder has been a source  
9 of strength, inspiration, and direction for persons in all walks of life and from all economic  
10 strata, and he continues to serve as an inspiration to countless Georgians and Americans each  
11 day with his acts of kindness and compassion; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Reverend Elder's leadership was instrumental in bringing together St. Francis  
13 Hospital, Mercer University, and The Medical Center of Columbus Regional Healthcare  
14 System to create a new medical education partnership; and
- 15 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this enduring example of God's message  
16 of peace and love be recognized and congratulated for his innumerable good works rendered  
17 on behalf of persons in need.
- 18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
19 recognize Reverend Jimmy Elder for his exemplary fellowship and leadership in the name  
20 of God.

- 21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
22 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Reverend Jimmy Elder.