

Senate Resolution 1017

By: Senators James of the 35th, Jones of the 10th, Davenport of the 44th, Jackson of the 2nd, Henson of the 41st and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Chief Tunde Adetunji and the Africa Heritage Foundation;
- 2 and for other purposes.

- 3 WHEREAS, Chief Tunde Adetunji has long been recognized for his role in leadership and
- 4 his deep personal commitment to fostering diplomatic relationships with countries around
- 5 the world; and

- 6 WHEREAS, born to a royal family in Nigeria, Chief Tunde Adetunji is the CEO and founder
- 7 of the Africa Heritage Foundation; and

- 8 WHEREAS, Chief Tunde Adetunji was named one of Atlanta's 100 Most Influential
- 9 Multicultural Business Leaders of the Year in 2010 by *Atlanta Business Journal*; and

- 10 WHEREAS, the United States and the State of Georgia seek to strengthen and foster stronger
- 11 equitable partnerships with African professionals, institutions, and communities; and

- 12 WHEREAS, it is important to promote opportunities for international exchange, training,
- 13 research, technology, knowledge transfer, information sharing, and arts and culture between
- 14 the United States and Africa; and

- 15 WHEREAS, the Africa Heritage Foundation has worked relentlessly since the 1996 Olympic
- 16 Games to bridge the gap between the United States and Africa through the establishment of
- 17 Atlanta as a gateway city between these two cultures; and

- 18 WHEREAS, the Africa Heritage Foundation has held numerous projects and programs to
- 19 connect the United States and Africa, including its USAFRICA economic conference and
- 20 expo, Africa Day celebration, Africa World Museum, the Celebrate Africa Exhibition,
- 21 African Heritage Radio and Television, Africa World Travel and Tours, and the African

22 Heritage Library and Educational Program with historical black colleges and universities;
23 and

24 WHEREAS, the Africa Heritage Foundation serves as an opportunity to promote respect and
25 support for the development of Africa and recognize the important cultural ties between the
26 United States and Africa.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
28 recognize the Africa Heritage Foundation and commend Chief Tunde Adetunji on his years
29 of dedicated civic service and welcome him to the City of Atlanta and the State of Georgia.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
31 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Chief Tunde Adetunji.