

Senate Resolution 1138

By: Senator Chance of the 16th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Pastor Tamarkus T. Cook; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Pastor Tamarkus T. Cook was born in Newnan, Georgia, a beloved son of Terry
3 Cook and Adriane Patrick; and
- 4 WHEREAS, at the age of eight he was blessed with the anointing from God to play the piano
5 by ear and became the minister of music for the Temple of God Church, Inc., which blessed
6 him with the opportunity to serve as an organist, pianist, and minister of music; and
- 7 WHEREAS, compelled to become a mortician, his passion afforded him the opportunity to
8 become employed by the Sellers-Smith Funeral Home, Inc.; and
- 9 WHEREAS, a graduate from the Morehouse College, Pastor Cook actively participated in
10 the NAACP and the Student Government Association and created the Morehouse College
11 Committee of Bereavement, an organization that arranged and conducted memorial services
12 for students that passed while matriculating through the college; and
- 13 WHEREAS, an active member in his community, Pastor Cook served as chair of
14 membership for the Collegiate 100 Black Men of Atlanta; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Pastor Cook serves as pastor of Saint Smyrna Baptist Church, the largest
16 African American congregation in Coweta County, since his election in January of 2012; and
- 17 WHEREAS, he is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for
18 integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example he has made of his life, he
19 makes this world a better place in which to live; and
- 20 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
21 distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
23 commend Pastor Tamarkus T. Cook for his unparalleled record of community service and
24 his innumerable good works rendered on behalf of persons in need and extend to him their
25 most sincere best wishes for continued health and happiness.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
27 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Pastor Tamarkus T. Cook.