

Senate Resolution 1195

By: Senators Loudermilk of the 52nd and Albers of the 56th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Mr. Richie Johnson for his work on the SR 68 Commission;
2 and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Richie Johnson was instrumental in allowing the SR 68 Commission to
4 carry out its mission to explore the need for a science and technology plan in Georgia; and

5 WHEREAS, he assisted the commission by organizing seven public hearings in six cities
6 around Georgia and arranged for over 70 panelists to present to the commission on science
7 and technology topics such as health IT, commercial space, STEM education, agricultural
8 technology, and data centers; and

9 WHEREAS, he organized and facilitated over ten subcommittee meetings and conference
10 calls with members of the commission; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Johnson researched other states' strategic plans for science and technology
12 and conducted analysis and reviews as to how they apply to Georgia and provided the
13 commission with over 200 recommendations on how to build Georgia's future in science and
14 technology policy; and

15 WHEREAS, he joined the Technology Association of Georgia (TAG) in September of 2010
16 as the Director of Government and Public Affairs where he has provided leadership in
17 developing and implementing a public policy strategy in line with TAG's strategic plan; and

18 WHEREAS, he works to secure public funding that will benefit TAG and its member
19 companies; and

20 WHEREAS, he earned a bachelor's degree in political science from the University of
21 Tennessee; and

22 WHEREAS, he is united in love and marriage to his wife, Allison, currently residing in
23 Alpharetta, and they are members of Stonecreek Community Church; and

24 WHEREAS, he previously spent time in the public and private sector, working for a Fortune
25 500 company and as a field representative for a United States Congressman; and

26 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of
27 this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
29 commend Mr. Richie Johnson for his many contributions on the SR 68 Commission and
30 Technology Association of Georgia.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
32 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Richie Johnson.