

Senate Resolution 1249

By: Senators Hill of the 4th and Carter of the 1st

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life and memory of Dr. Lorenzo P. McNeal; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens
3 with the passing of Dr. Lorenzo P. McNeal on March 15, 2012; and

4 WHEREAS, a native of Evans County, Georgia, Dr. McNeal attended Savannah State
5 College and Johnson C. Smith Seminary and received a Doctorate of Ministry from Union
6 Theological Seminary and several certificates of merit and completion from the University
7 of Georgia and Armstrong State College; and

8 WHEREAS, Dr. McNeal was the pastor in several churches in Savannah, Albany, Patterson,
9 Waycross, Sylvania, Reidsville, and Cobbtown for 45 years, including Jerusalem Missionary
10 Baptist Church and Historic Mt. Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church; and

11 WHEREAS, he served in numerous organizations, including St. Joseph Lodge number 76,
12 Claxton Kiwanis Club, Lamar Carter Consistory 32 degree, two Ministerial Associations, the
13 Georgia Association of Broadcasters, and the Evans County Chapter of the NAACP; and

14 WHEREAS, he worked as program director and general manager of WCLA, AM Radio
15 Station in Claxton where he hosted *Rejoicing in the Morning* and worked as a radio
16 announcer with several stations in Georgia; and

17 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
18 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness and, by the example he made of his life, he
19 made this world a better place in which to live; and

20 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern
21 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his
22 family and friends were admired by others; and

23 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Dr. McNeal will long be remembered for
24 his love of God, family, and friendship, and will be missed by all who had the great fortune
25 of knowing him.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
27 join in honoring the life and memory of Dr. Lorenzo P. McNeal and express their deepest and
28 most sincere regret at his passing.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
30 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Dr. Lorenzo P. McNeal.