

Senate Resolution 1260

By: Senators Davenport of the 44th, Tate of the 38th, Butler of the 55th, James of the 35th, Seay of the 34th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the American Business Women's Association Greenbriar
2 Chapter on the occasion of its 40th anniversary; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the American Business Women's Association was founded in 1949, and from
4 this association, many chapters were organized; and

5 WHEREAS, the Greenbriar Chapter was organized in 1972 by a group of Caucasian ladies,
6 and a short time later, four aspiring African American ladies, Dorothy Kelly, the late Hazel
7 Espana, the late Eva Mae Perkins, and the late Maude Roberts, saw the importance and
8 productivity of the Greenbriar Chapter and joined and became viable forces; and

9 WHEREAS, 40 years later, the Greenbriar Chapter is still in existence and actively involved
10 in the community and in its quest to improve the lives of businesswomen of diverse
11 occupations and to provide opportunities for them to help themselves and others grow
12 personally and professionally through networking, education, and leadership development;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, the Greenbriar Chapter has sponsored the Airport Chapter, the Onyx Chapter,
15 and the DeVry Chapter; and

16 WHEREAS, the Greenbriar Chapter has provided scholarships to young adults in excess of
17 \$135,000 and leadership training, self-enhancement to chapter members through convention
18 attendance, local area council participation, workshops, seminars, and community
19 involvement functions; and

20 WHEREAS, the Greenbriar Chapter has earned numerous Star Awards from the National
21 Association for excellent performance, and its members have received awards for
22 outstanding accomplishments; and

23 WHEREAS, outstanding and faithful presidents include Dorothy Kelly, Allie Saxon, Mary
24 Grant, Rosa Johnson, Cassandra Moore, Angelique Pullen, Evelyn Broadus-Little, Juanita
25 Grier, Gail Davenport, Pasty Porter, Ardell Walcott, Gloria Pritchett, Annie Allen, Cathy
26 Butler, Teresa Hollins, Bessie Streater, Brenda Rice, Jourline Jenkins, Betty Puckett, Valerie
27 Kelly-Battle, Valerie Johnson, Gwendolyn Cummings, Janice Truesdale, Brenda Chris
28 Richardson, Rose Reeves, and Faye Sellers; and

29 WHEREAS, Women of the Year recipients include Eva Perkins, Dorothy Kelly, Janice
30 Truesdale, Brenda Chris Richardson, Angelique Pullen, Teresa Hollins, Bessie Streater,
31 Brenda Rice, Jourline Jenkins, Betty Puckett, Gwendolyn Cummings, Gail Davenport, Gloria
32 Pritchett, Annie Allen, Rose Reeves, Ardell Walcott, Loretta Howard, Ella Hayward, Thea
33 Tolbert, Mary Grant, Avis Boone, and Louise Tompkins; and

34 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
35 organization be appropriately recognized.

36 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
37 commend the American Business Women's Association Greenbriar Chapter for 40 years of
38 dedicated effort and initiative in improving the lives of businesswomen.

39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
40 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the American Business Women's
41 Association Greenbriar Chapter.