

Senate Resolution 1271

By: Senator Gooch of the 51st

#### A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Reverend Dean Bryant; 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 Reverend Dean Bryant on March 20, 2012; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Reverend Bryant was born in Lumpkin County, a beloved son of the late Carl  
5 Thomas and Lucille Sims Bryant; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he served as a Baptist minister for over 62 years in 16 churches around  
7 Lumpkin and Hall counties; and
- 8 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Reverend Bryant was an active member of  
9 Wahoo Baptist Church; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Reverend Bryant was united in love and marriage to Barbara, and was blessed  
11 with three remarkable children, Debra Maxwell, Denise Hosemann, and Steven Bryant, five  
12 wonderful grandchildren, Kelly and Doug Adams, William and Tyler Maxwell, and Chase  
13 Cosgrove, and an adored great-granddaughter, Maggie Dean Adams; and
- 14 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern  
15 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his  
16 family and friends were admired by others; 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, a compassionate and generous man, Reverend Bryant will long be remembered  
21 for his love of God, family and friendship, and this loyal son, husband, father, grandfather,  
22 great-grandfather, and friend will be missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing him.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
24 join in honoring the life and memory of Reverend Dean Bryant and express their deepest and  
25 most sincere regret at his passing.

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 the family of Reverend Dean Bryant.