

Senate Resolution 1372

By: Senators Carter of the 42nd, Millar of the 40th, Tate of the 38th, Bethel of the 54th, Balfour of the 9th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Senator George Hooks on his 32 years of outstanding service;
2 and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, he earned a bachelor's degree from Auburn University and an honorary
4 Doctorate of Laws degree from Mercer University; and

5 WHEREAS, Senator George Hooks has diligently and conscientiously represented the
6 people of the 14th District in the Georgia State Senate with honor and distinction since 1990;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, he has served on numerous committees, including the Senate Economic
9 Development, Tourism, and Cultural Affairs Committee, the Rules Committee, the Natural
10 Resources and Environment Committees, the ONE Georgia Authority Oversight Committee,
11 and the Appropriations Committee; and

12 WHEREAS, he has been recognized for his leadership by several civic organizations,
13 including the National Boy Scouts Council, the Child Advocacy Coalition, the Georgia
14 Association of Educators, the Georgia Council for the Hearing Impaired, and the Georgia
15 Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf; and

16 WHEREAS, Senator Hooks has received numerous honors, including Outstanding Young
17 Man of America in 1979, the Speak Up For a Child Award in 1997 and 1998, the National
18 Legislator of the Year in 1999, the Legislative Service Award in 1991 and 2006, and the
19 Outstanding Elected Official Grand Award in 2008; and

20 WHEREAS, he previously served five terms in the House of Representatives where he was
21 an assistant administration floor leader for former Governor Joe Frank Harris and was
22 responsible for sponsoring and working for passage of the Governor's legislative proposals;
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24 WHEREAS, Senator Hooks is a member of the Rotary Club, the Americus-Sumter County
25 Chamber of Commere, and the Eagle Scout Board of Review; and

26 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Senator Hooks is an active member of First
27 Baptist Church of Americus; and

28 WHEREAS, he is united in love and marriage to the former Kay Felder Allen and is the
29 proud father of two remarkable children, Bardin and Mary Ann; and

30 WHEREAS, Senator Hooks has served with honor and distinction with the Georgia State
31 Senate and his vision and unyielding commitment have set the standard for public service;
32 and

33 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
34 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

35 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
36 commend Senator George Hooks for his selfless, efficient, and effective service to the
37 citizens of his community and the State of Georgia and extend to him sincere best wishes for
38 continued health and happiness.

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 Senator George Hooks.