

Senate Resolution 1261

By: Senators Henson of the 41st, Tate of the 38th, Fort of the 39th, Shafer of the 48th, Chance of the 16th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Senator Jason Carter for his service to the citizens of the 42nd Senate District
2 and the State of Georgia; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Senator Jason Carter has faithfully and honorably served the citizens of the
4 42nd Senate District and is highly regarded for his diligent, thoughtful, and bipartisan work
5 in the Georgia Senate; and

6 WHEREAS, during his years of service in the Senate, he has ably represented DeKalb
7 County; and

8 WHEREAS, known for his intelligence, thoughtfulness, and deep desire for the betterment
9 of the state, Senator Carter has been a leader on critical issues, including strengthening
10 Georgia's public education system and preserving the HOPE Scholarship, helping small
11 businesses, and strengthening the middle class; and

12 WHEREAS, he has stood for honest and principled government, as evidenced by his
13 advocacy for the creation of an independent ethics commission, for the protection of voting
14 rights, and against the overtly partisan gerrymandering of legislative districts; and

15 WHEREAS, prior to serving in the Senate, Senator Carter attained a law degree from the
16 University of Georgia and practiced law as an attorney at Bondurant, Mixson & Elmore LLP
17 where he spent countless hours litigating pro bono on behalf of some of Georgia's most
18 vulnerable citizens, service for which he received the Stuart Eizenstat Award from the
19 Anti-Defamation League; and

20 WHEREAS, his leadership has been recognized by numerous individuals and organizations,
21 as demonstrated by his selection as a Senate freshman to participate in the Carl Vinson
22 Institute of Government's bipartisan Georgia Legislative Leadership Institute, and honors
23 from organizations, including the Sheltering Arms Early Learning Centers, Common Cause

24 Georgia, the Georgia Commission on Family Violence, and Georgia Conservation Voters;
25 and

26 WHEREAS, Senator Carter is also a member of the prestigious Gridiron Secret Society,
27 which recognizes public servants and business leaders in the great State of Georgia; and

28 WHEREAS, he is an honest and dedicated public servant who strives for excellence in all
29 his endeavors and whose primary concern is the welfare of the citizens of the State of
30 Georgia, and his unparalleled work ethic epitomizes perfectly the ideal and true spirit of
31 public service, as expressed in the words *Sic vos non vobis*; and

32 WHEREAS, his work as a tireless advocate and public servant extends to his service on the
33 boards of several charitable and public interest organizations, including Hands On Atlanta,
34 the DeKalb Women's Resource Center to End Domestic Violence, the Georgia Bar
35 Foundation, the Board of Trustees of the Carter Center, and the Emory University Board of
36 Visitors.

37 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
38 express immense gratitude for and commend Senator Jason Carter for his selfless and
39 dedicated service that he has rendered on behalf of Georgia, wish him success in his future
40 endeavors, and extend to him their utmost appreciation for his having so ably served.

41 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
42 to give an appropriate copy of this resolution to Senator Jason Carter.