

## Senate Resolution 1262

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 Hardie Davis for his service to the citizens of the 22nd Senate District  
2 and the State of Georgia; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Senator Davis has faithfully and honorably served the citizens of the 22nd  
4 Senate District for four years, and is highly regarded for his impactful and diligent work in  
5 the Georgia Senate; and

6 WHEREAS, during his four years of service in the Senate and three years in the House, he  
7 has represented Richmond County; and

8 WHEREAS, known for his intellect, steadfastness, and deep desire for the betterment of this  
9 state and its citizens, Senator Davis has led the charge on critical issues such as the  
10 employment readiness program for Georgia's Unemployed Act, public-private partnerships,  
11 job creation, strengthening Georgia's interstate cooperation relations, and strengthening  
12 higher education across this state; and

13 WHEREAS, he served as the vice chairman on the Board of Zoning Appeals in Augusta,  
14 Georgia, until his election to the Georgia General Assembly in 2006, and is a former board  
15 member of Leadership Augusta; and

16 WHEREAS, Senator Davis has served in various leadership positions, including chairman  
17 of the Senate Interstate Cooperation Committee, and as an active member of the Economic  
18 Development, Ethics, Finance, and Higher Education committees; Senator Davis has  
19 contributed to the passage of more than 2,500 pieces of legislation, which today stand as  
20 Georgia law; and

21 WHEREAS, prior to selflessly serving in the Senate, Senator Davis served in the Georgia  
22 House of Representatives for three years; and

23 WHEREAS, Senator Davis attained a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from the  
24 Georgia Institute of Technology and a Doctor of Ministry from the Christian Life School of  
25 Theology in Columbus; and

26 WHEREAS, he is both a graduate and past board member of Leadership Georgia, and has  
27 served on the Board of Trustees for the University Health Care Foundation; and

28 WHEREAS, his leadership has been recognized by countless individuals and organizations,  
29 as he has been awarded numerous prestigious honors, including Georgia Bio, Legislator of  
30 the Year 2010 for his work to promote the life sciences industry throughout the State of  
31 Georgia, as well as being named a Business Champion by The Georgia Chamber in 2013;  
32 and

33 WHEREAS, Senator Davis is also known as Pastor Davis by members of Abundant Life  
34 Worship Center founded in 2000, where he leads the congregation as its founder and senior  
35 pastor; and

36 WHEREAS, he is a Georgia statesman, engineer, community builder, businessman, spiritual  
37 leader, and entrusted friend who is known for his impeccable character and class, always  
38 presenting with a calming spirit and demeanor; and

39 WHEREAS, he is an honest and dedicated public servant who strives for excellence and  
40 resolve in all his endeavors and whose primary concern is the welfare of all citizens,  
41 including those of Augusta, Georgia, and the 22nd Senate District; and

42 WHEREAS, Senator Davis' unparalleled work ethic, compassion, and drive is an example  
43 and inspiration displaying the ideal and true spirit of public service as expressed in his  
44 actions; and

45 WHEREAS, doing the will of God from the heart, he strives daily to be a man after God's  
46 own heart according to the fruit of his deeds; and

47 WHEREAS, the citizens of the great State of Georgia will endure an immense void upon his  
48 retirement from the Georgia General Assembly and wish him, his wife, Evett, son, Benjamin,  
49 parents, Delois and Hardie Davis, Sr., and his family continued health and prosperity.

50 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
51 commend Senator Hardie Davis and express their overwhelming gratitude for his seven years  
52 of effective, efficient, selfless, and dedicated service that he has rendered on behalf of  
53 Georgia; congratulate him upon his well-deserved retirement; and extend to him their utmost  
54 appreciation for his having so purely and truly defined for others the meaning of a true public  
55 servant, having faithfully performed the duty that lies nearest.

56 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
57 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Senator Hardie Davis.