

Senate Resolution 445

By: Senator Hill of the 4th

#### A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Lynda Anne Brannen Williamson; 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 Lynda Anne Brannen Williamson on November 2, 2014; and
- 4 WHEREAS, she was born on November 27, 1962, in Savannah, Georgia, a beloved daughter  
5 of Irvin Alexander Brannen, Jr., and Kay Waters Brannen; and
- 6 WHEREAS, she graduated from Agnes Scott College with a Bachelor of Arts in Economics  
7 and obtained a Master of Business Administration from Georgia Southern University; and
- 8 WHEREAS, she began her career at Georgia Power Electrical Company in 1985, was a  
9 part-time professor of economics at Georgia Southern University, owned her own design  
10 company, Design Lab, and founded Alexander Development Group; and
- 11 WHEREAS, she was the first female president of the Rotary Club of Statesboro, a member  
12 on the Board of Directors for Sea Island Bank, the chairman of the Metter-Candler Chamber  
13 of Commerce, and chairman of the church council for Statesboro First United Methodist  
14 Church; and
- 15 WHEREAS, she was also involved in the Downtown Development Authority, Statesboro  
16 Service League, American Cancer Society, and Georgia Southern University College of  
17 Business Administration Leadership Board; and
- 18 WHEREAS, she was the Statesboro-Bulloch Chamber of Commerce 2014 Business Leader  
19 of the Year and was honored posthumously as the 2015 Rotary Citizen of the Year by the  
20 two Statesboro Rotary clubs; and

21 WHEREAS, the loving wife of Lenwood and proud mother of Matthew and Jonathan, Lynda  
22 cherished her family above all else; and

23 WHEREAS, she was selfless, community-oriented, charitable, helpful, and in essence, a  
24 woman ahead of her time; and

25 WHEREAS, she was a central figure of female leadership both professionally and in her  
26 local community; and

27 WHEREAS, a foundation was named in her honor, the Lynda B. Williamson Foundation,  
28 which serves to give young women guidance, mentorship, and a path by which to maximize  
29 their potential, both professionally and personally.

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
31 join in honoring the life and memory of Lynda Anne Brannen Williamson and express their  
32 deepest and most sincere regret at her passing.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
34 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the family of Lynda  
35 Anne Brannen Williamson.