

Senate Resolution 548

By: Senators James of the 35th, Ramsey, Sr. of the 43rd, Orrock of the 36th, Parent of the 42nd, Seay of the 34th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Gandy Thomas; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Gandy Thomas was announced as Haiti's first Consul General in Atlanta by the
3 Minister of Foreign Affairs in December of 2010, he assumed the office the following month
4 and began establishing Haiti's first new consulate in the Southeast; and

5 WHEREAS, he has obtained a master's degree in international relations from the Andres
6 Bello Diplomatic Academy of Chile and a bachelor's degree in accounting management at
7 the Institute National of Management, Administration, and International Studies; and

8 WHEREAS, he joined Haiti's Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 1991 and has served at the
9 Embassy of Haiti in Chile as an Officer Consular from 1996 to 1998; at the Embassy of Haiti
10 in Cuba from January 1998 to December 2000, where he was responsible for reporting on
11 political developments and bilateral cooperation; at the Embassy of Haiti in Colombia as
12 Consul and Politic affairs from January 2001 to March 2002; at the Embassy of Haiti in
13 Venezuela as Chargé d'Affaires from 2003 to 2005; and at the Embassy of Haiti as Chargé
14 d'Affaires in Chile from 2005 to 2008; and

15 WHEREAS, prior to taking up his post as Consul General, he was based in 2008 at the
16 Consulate of Haiti in Orlando, Florida, working to establish the Consulate General in
17 Atlanta; and

18 WHEREAS, Gandy Thomas is united in love and marriage to Leslie Gonzalez, and is blessed
19 with two remarkable children.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
21 commend Gandy Thomas on his dedication and commitment to his home country and the
22 international community.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
24 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Gandy Thomas.