

Senate Resolution 1095

By: Senator Tate of the 38th

### A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life and memory of Cathy Lilnell Jinks Richards; 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 Cathy Lilnell Jinks Richards on February 12, 2016; and

4 WHEREAS, she was born on September 21, 1948, in Atlanta, Georgia, a beloved daughter  
5 of James Jinks and Catherine Jinks Moon; and

6 WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, she was an active member of Ben Hill  
7 United Methodist Church for almost 45 years where she served in various leadership roles,  
8 including youth ministries, directing the Cherub Choir, serving as the chair of the Growth  
9 and Renewal Council for the North Georgia Conference of the United Methodist Church, and  
10 serving on the Board of Directors of the Interfaith/School Collaborative of the Atlanta Public  
11 School System Office of Community Affairs; and

12 WHEREAS, she was united in love and marriage to Walter Richards, Jr., and was blessed  
13 with four remarkable children, Scott, Kimberly, Jennifer, and Everett, and 11 wonderful  
14 grandchildren; and

15 WHEREAS, Cathy Lilnell Jinks Richards received several awards from PTA, community,  
16 religious, and civic organizations, such as the Parent of the Year Award at Miles Elementary  
17 School and Usher Middle School, the Woman of the Year Award at Ben Hill United  
18 Methodist Church, the Neighborhood Planning Unit-H Civic Leader of the Year Award, the  
19 Oak of Moreh Christian Service Award, and the Atlanta Planning Advisory Board  
20 Community Service Award; and

21 WHEREAS, she was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation  
22 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example she made of her life,  
23 she made this world a better place in which to live; and

24 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous woman, she will long be remembered for her  
25 love of family and friendship, and she will be missed by all who had the great fortune of  
26 knowing her.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
28 join in honoring the life and memory of Cathy Lilnell Jinks Richards and express their  
29 deepest and most sincere regret at her passing.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
31 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the family of  
32 Cathy Lilnell Jinks Richards.