

Senate Resolution 38

By: Senator Jackson of the 2nd

### A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Walter B. Simmons on his outstanding public service; and for  
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Walter B. Simmons has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for  
4 the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the  
5 welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, he has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,  
7 talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced  
8 dramatically by his superlative service as teacher at Moses J. Jackson Elementary School,  
9 of Savannah, as principal at the 38th and 37th Street Elementary Schools where he  
10 championed integration, as director of middle schools, and later as an area assistant  
11 superintendent of schools; and

12 WHEREAS, this distinguished gentleman has given inspiration to many through his high  
13 ideals, morals, and deep concern for his fellow citizens, and he possesses the vast wisdom  
14 which only comes through experience and the strength of character which is achieved  
15 through overcoming the many challenges of life; and

16 WHEREAS, he is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for  
17 integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and

18 WHEREAS, Walter has received distinguished honors from his community, including the  
19 dedication of the Walter B. (49) Simmons Gymnasium at the Frank Callen Boys and Girls  
20 Club, his induction into Savannah's Athletic Hall of Fame, and having students at Moses J.  
21 Jackson Elementary School name a street in the community, "Walter Simmons Court," for  
22 him; and

23 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this  
24 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
26 recognize and commend Walter B. Simmons for his efficient, effective, unselfish, and  
27 dedicated public service to the State of Georgia and extend the most sincere best wishes for  
28 continued health and happiness.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
30 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Walter B.  
31 Simmons.