

## Senate Resolution 67

By: Senators Seay of the 34th, Butler of the 55th, Anderson of the 43rd, Fort of the 39th, Davenport of the 44th and others

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Marcia Johnson Church; 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 Marcia Johnson Church on December 12, 2016; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Marcia Johnson Church was born on October 11, 1923, in Atlanta, Georgia, a  
5 beloved daughter of Claude and Bertha Johnson; and
- 6 WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, Marcia was an active member at Zion Hill  
7 Baptist Church and was one of the first women to be ordained as a deacon; and
- 8 WHEREAS, she was united in love and marriage to her husband, Bill, and was blessed with  
9 one remarkable child, Jacqueline; and
- 10 WHEREAS, a graduate of Morris Brown College, Marcia dedicated her career to educating  
11 the youth of Georgia and taught at C.W. Elementary School for over 37 years; and
- 12 WHEREAS, she was recognized by her peers for her outstanding work by winning numerous  
13 awards and certificates, including C.W. Elementary School's Teacher of the Year Award; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Marcia will always be remembered for her sweet smile, passion for teaching,  
15 and her love of traveling with her husband and daughter; and
- 16 WHEREAS, she gave inspiration to many through her high ideals, morals, and deep concern  
17 for her fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding she demonstrated to  
18 her family and friends were admired by others; and

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

22 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous woman, Marcia will long be remembered for her  
23 sweet smile, passion for teaching, and her love of traveling and will be missed by all who had  
24 the great fortune of knowing her.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
26 join in honoring the life and memory of Marcia Johnson Church and express their deepest  
27 and most sincere regret at her passing.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
29 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the family of  
30 Marcia Johnson Church.