

Senate Resolution 220

By: Senators Butler of the 55th, Davenport of the 44th, Anderson of the 43rd, Jones of the 10th, Seay of the 34th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the NAACP for its dedication to promoting civil and human
2 rights; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, founded in 1909, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored
4 People (NAACP) is the nation's oldest and largest civil rights organization; and

5 WHEREAS, the Georgia NAACP has had an unbroken presence in Georgia since 1917, and
6 maintains a network of branches throughout the state, from cities to small, rural counties; and

7 WHEREAS, the Georgia NAACP has been the most effective and consistent advocate for
8 civil and human rights in Georgia; and

9 WHEREAS, the NAACP's half-million adult and youth members throughout the United
10 States and the world are the premier advocates for civil rights in their communities,
11 conducting voter mobilization and monitoring equal opportunity in the public and private
12 sectors; and

13 WHEREAS, with more than 10,000 members state wide, the Georgia NAACP is composed
14 of approximately 127 units made up of adult branches, college chapters, and a youth council;
15 and

16 WHEREAS, under the guiding hand of Dr. Francys Johnson, President of the Georgia
17 NAACP, this remarkable organization continues its dedicated service to the state through its
18 ACT-SO program and voter registration and mobilization efforts; and

19 WHEREAS, the NAACP Annual Legislative Day of Action on February 13, 2017, is
20 designed to provide an opportunity for its members and partners to meet with their respective
21 state representatives to discuss current and future legislation and regulations that will impact
22 the local communities in which they live and serve.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
24 recognize the outstanding achievements of the NAACP and commend its dedication to
25 promoting civil and human rights.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
27 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the NAACP.