

Senate Resolution 1044

By: Senators Heath of the 31st, Dugan of the 30th, Kennedy of the 18th, Miller of the 49th and Beach of the 21st

#### A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Sigma Nu Fraternity, Inc.; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Sigma Nu Fraternity, Inc., an honor based organization, was founded in 1869  
3 on the campus of Virginia Military Institute in Lexington, Virginia, by James Frank Hopkins,  
4 Greenfield Quarles, and James McIlvaine Riley; and
- 5 WHEREAS, the three founders formed the Legion of Honor, the country's first honor based  
6 fraternity, which in turn became Sigma Nu; and
- 7 WHEREAS, this honor based society upholds the creed of love, honor, and truth to form the  
8 Legion of Honor, an organization that continues to manifest its sacred creed: to believe in the  
9 life of love, walk in the way of honor, and serve in the light of truth; this is the life, the way,  
10 and the light of Sigma Nu; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Sigma Nu's founders would not accept any form of hazing and instead chose  
12 to live as honorable men; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Sigma Nu stands as a beacon for those who value peace and contentment, and  
14 this legacy drives the fraternity to combat systematic abuse and hazing; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Sigma Nu is dedicated to creating ethical leaders for the future through the  
16 implementation of the LEAD program, through which current members and alumni can learn  
17 to become tomorrow's leaders; and
- 18 WHEREAS, currently, Sigma Nu has more than 200,000 members and more than 150  
19 chapters across North America; and
- 20 WHEREAS, five sitting senators of the Georgia General Assembly, Senator Bill Heath,  
21 Senator Mike Dugan, Senator John F. Kennedy, Senator Butch Miller, and Senator Brandon

22 Beach, are members of Sigma Nu, hailing from different chapters across Georgia and the  
23 country; and

24 WHEREAS, many great Georgians have been members of Sigma Nu, including Herman  
25 Talmadge, Bobby Dodd, Jody Powell, Tom Johnson, Walter F. George, Olin "Stephen" Pace,  
26 and Phil Gingrey; and

27 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this  
28 extraordinary fraternity be appropriately recognized.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
30 recognize and commend Sigma Nu Fraternity, Inc., for its manifold contributions to the State  
31 of Georgia and extend sincere best wishes for continued growth and success.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
33 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Sigma Nu  
34 Fraternity, Inc.