

Senate Resolution 1079

By: Senator Tate of the 38th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Debutante Rachel Danette Drakeford; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Cascade United Methodist Church (UMC), located at 3144 Cascade Road SW,
3 Atlanta, Georgia, recognizes the need for its youth members to learn academic and religious
4 lessons that will enable them to be model Christian adults; and
- 5 WHEREAS, the Christian Rites of Passage (CRoP) program was established in 2003 at
6 Cascade UMC by Ida Ruth Irwin Crook, with guidance from the pastoral staff and support
7 from the families and members of the Cascade UMC family; and
- 8 WHEREAS, the CRoP program was designed for students to learn to use the Bible in
9 everyday life situations such as conflict resolution, money management, etiquette, and
10 building success for their future; participants are immersed in a 12 step, Christian based
11 program that encourages positive progression through each stage and emphasizes personal
12 enrichment, educational support, and community service; and
- 13 WHEREAS, the key messages of the CRoP program are nurturing spiritual growth; building
14 humanity, kindness, and compassion; inspiring spiritual empowerment and leadership; and
15 developing healthy self-esteem and self-excellence; and
- 16 WHEREAS, after completing the 12 month sessions, members of the CRoP Class of 2018
17 will be recognized by family and friends in a candlelight awards ceremony; and
- 18 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
19 extraordinary Georgian be appropriately recognized.
- 20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
21 recognize and commend Debutante Rachel Danette Drakeford for successfully completing

22 the 2017-2018 Christian Rites of Passage program at Cascade United Methodist Church and
23 extend their sincere best wishes for continued success.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
25 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Debutante Rachel
26 Danette Drakeford.