

Senate Resolution 827

By: Senators Miller of the 49th, Wilkinson of the 50th, Orrock of the 36th, Anderson of the 43rd and Beach of the 21st

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Thomas W. Dortch Jr. on his outstanding public service in
2 Georgia's educational institutions and his contributions to Georgia's economic prosperity; and
3 for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, Thomas W. Dortch Jr. has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for
5 the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the
6 welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

7 WHEREAS, Thomas was born on April 12, 1950, in Toccoa, Georgia, and went on to
8 become an influential leader and mentor as well as a successful businessman; and

9 WHEREAS, he has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,
10 talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state, as evidenced
11 dramatically by his many years of public and community service; and

12 WHEREAS, Thomas' significant organizational and leadership talents, remarkable patience
13 and diplomacy, keen sense of vision, and sensitivity to the needs of the citizens of this state
14 have earned him the respect and admiration of his colleagues and associates; and

15 WHEREAS, his service as an administrative aide for Senator Sam Nunn, as the first African
16 American state director of the Georgia Democratic Party, as the CEO of TWD Inc. and
17 Atlanta Transportation Systems Inc., and with numerous civic and professional organizations
18 is a testament to his commitment to the well-being of others; and

19 WHEREAS, Thomas has earned distinction and numerous awards for his achievements,
20 including a Presidential Citation for volunteerism, the Martin Luther King Jr. Distinguished
21 Service Award, and the Concerned Black Clergy's Salute to Black Fathers Leadership
22 Award; and

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

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

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
28 recognize and commend Thomas W. Dortch Jr. for his efficient, effective, unselfish, and
29 dedicated public service to the State of Georgia and extend the most sincere best wishes for
30 continued health and happiness.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
32 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Thomas W.
33 Dortch Jr.