

## Senate Resolution 10

By: Senators Davenport of the 44th, Anderson of the 43rd, Jones of the 10th, Jackson of the 2nd, Rahman of the 5th and others

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Lola Mae Carmichael; 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 Lola Mae Carmichael on January 2, 2021, at the age of 93; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Lola Mae Carmichael was born on April 25, 1927, in Monroe County, Georgia,  
5 a beloved daughter of Elnora and Oscar Thurmond; and
- 6 WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, she accepted Christ at a young age, first  
7 joining Cabaniss Baptist Church and then finding her true family at Mathalama A.M.E.  
8 Church later in life; and
- 9 WHEREAS, regarded as a lifetime member, Lola served on many ministries during her time  
10 with Mathalama A.M.E. Church, including the Trustee Board, Stewardess, Women's  
11 Missionary Society, Choir No. 1, Gospel Choir, and Women of Worship Choir ministries;  
12 and

13 WHEREAS, she was recognized as the 2018 Lay Person of the Year and the 1993-1994  
14 Women's Missionary Queen as well as a member of the Golden GEMS for her devout service  
15 and tremendous faith in God; and

16 WHEREAS, known in her community for her fantastic egg custards and kind personality,  
17 Lola's work with the Paradise Park Civic League and the Sacred Heart Club stands as further  
18 testament to her life spent in the service of others; and

19 WHEREAS, she was united in love and marriage to her husband, Horace, and was blessed  
20 with eight remarkable children, Lorenzo, Luther, Trellis, Leola, Larry, Deborah, Reginald,  
21 and Dexter; 14 wonderful grandchildren; and 16 outstanding great-grandchildren; and

22 WHEREAS, she gave inspiration to many through her high ideals, morals, and deep concern  
23 for her fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding she demonstrated to  
24 her family and friends were admired by others; and

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

28 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous woman, Lola will long be remembered for her  
29 love of family, friendship, and community and will be missed by all who had the great  
30 fortune of knowing her.

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
32 join in honoring the life and memory of Lola Mae Carmichael and express their deepest and  
33 most sincere regret at her passing.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
35 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the family of Lola  
36 Mae Carmichael.