

Senate Resolution 649

By: Senators Anderson of the 43rd, Harbison of the 15th, Mangham of the 55th, Sims of the 12th, James of the 28th and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Beatrice “Bea” Jackson; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Beatrice “Bea” Jackson has long been recognized by the citizens of this state
3 for the vital role that she has played in leadership and her deep personal commitment to the
4 welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and
- 5 WHEREAS, after moving to Atlanta, Georgia, in 1978 Bea worked for DeKalb’s Council
6 on Aging where she helped to organize Georgia's 1st Silver Haired Legislature; and
- 7 WHEREAS, she subsequently went on to devote 23 years as an Innovation Manager for the
8 Northwest Georgia Girl Scout Council, where she designed and developed the Council's
9 outreach program called “Girls Are Great” that not only received Regional acclaim but also
10 became the National model for Girl Scout's of USA; and
- 11 WHEREAS, following her successful career, Bea selflessly dedicated her time to the
12 Washington Street Community Center where she is the Executive Director and has been
13 instrumental in the development of that Center into a year round program center for youth
14 and their families; and

15 WHEREAS, she is a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Covington Area Alumni
16 Chapter charter member, a member of the Newton County Chamber of Commerce and is
17 actively involved with Saint Paul AME Church in Covington, Georgia; and

18 WHEREAS, this distinguished gentlewoman has given inspiration to many through her high
19 ideals, morals, and deep concern for her fellow citizens, and she possesses the vast wisdom
20 which only comes through experience and the strength of character which is achieved
21 through overcoming the many challenges of life; and

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

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
25 recognize and commend Beatrice “Bea” Jackson for her efficient, effective, unselfish, and
26 dedicated service to the State of Georgia and extend their sincere best wishes for continued
27 health, happiness, and success.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
29 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Beatrice “Bea”
30 Jackson.