

Senate Resolution 806

By: Senators Wicks of the 34th and Anderson of the 43rd

### A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Sergeant Major (Ret.) Cendric D. Olds; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Sergeant Major (Ret.) Cendric D. Olds served as a guardian of this nation's  
4 freedom and liberty with the United States Army Reserves, valiantly and courageously  
5 protecting her fellow Americans from April 1990 to November 2018; and

6 WHEREAS, her distinguished career culminated as the first Senior Enlisted Advisor  
7 Sergeant Major and Army Liaison Officer at the Joint Personal Effects Depot, where she  
8 provided compassionate leadership and support to more than 1,300 family members  
9 attending over 155 Dignified Transfers and Honorable Movements at Dover Air Force Base;  
10 and

11 WHEREAS, her professionalism and steady leadership during joint service casualty incidents  
12 brought her into direct engagement with senior national leaders, including the President and  
13 Vice President of the United States, the Secretary of the Army, and other senior military  
14 officials; and

15 WHEREAS, during her deployment to Kandahar, Afghanistan, as Battalion Sergeant Major  
16 and Support Operations Non-Commissioned Officer with the 4-401st Army Field Support  
17 Brigade, she oversaw the readiness, welfare, and accountability of more than 4,500 combined  
18 military personnel, civilians, and contractors, and supervised the processing and shipment  
19 of thousands of pieces of military equipment; and

20 WHEREAS, following her retirement, Sergeant Major (Ret.) Olds has remained dedicated  
21 to service through active membership in organizations including the American Legion Post  
22 516 in McDonough, Georgia; Henry County NAACP; Kappa Epsilon Psi Military Sorority,  
23 Incorporated; National Council of Negro Women Henry-Clayton Section; and Zeta Phi Beta  
24 Sorority, Incorporated; and

25 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this extraordinary Georgian be  
26 appropriately honored.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
28 recognize and commend Sergeant Major (Ret.) Cendric D. Olds for her 28 years of  
29 exemplary military service and her continued commitment to community leadership and  
30 civic engagement.

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 Sergeant Major  
33 (Ret.) Cendric D. Olds.