

Senate Resolution 552

By: Senators Halpern of the 39th, Orrock of the 36th, Jackson of the 41st, McLaurin of the 14th, James of the 28th and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring and celebrating the 80th birthday of Marilyn Arrington; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, born on March 4, 1945, in Rome, Georgia, Marilyn Arrington has dedicated her
3 life to education, service, and community advocacy; and
- 4 WHEREAS, she is a proud graduate of Clark College, Class of 1966, and furthered her
5 education by obtaining both a master's and a specialist's degree from Georgia State
6 University, demonstrating an unwavering commitment to lifelong learning, including her
7 enrollment in a doctoral program at Georgia State University in 2021; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Marilyn Arrington dedicated over 30 years to shaping young minds in the
9 Atlanta Public Schools system, beginning her career at the historic Booker T. Washington
10 High School and later extending her impact by teaching GED preparation at Atlanta
11 Technical College, helping countless students achieve their educational goals; and
- 12 WHEREAS, she has exemplified a spirit of service and leadership for over 50 years as a
13 Golden Member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, and as a charter member of
14 the Pi Alpha Omega Chapter, established in 1985; and

15 WHEREAS, she has also been a distinguished alumnae member of The Links, Incorporated,
16 Azalea City Chapter, and an active member of the Clark Atlanta University Guild, further
17 strengthening her commitment to education, mentorship, and community enrichment; and

18 WHEREAS, as a devoted and longtime member of Cascade United Methodist Church for
19 over 40 years, she has served on the Executive Board, providing leadership and guidance to
20 her faith community; and

21 WHEREAS, Marilyn Arrington is a proud resident of Southwest Atlanta, where she has lived
22 on Cascade Road for 44 years, making a lasting impact as a community servant, advocate,
23 and engaged neighbor; and

24 WHEREAS, she is known for her love of the arts and entertainment, her adventurous spirit
25 as a member of the Nature Gurlz, and her deep commitment to family as a mother,
26 grandmother, aunt, niece, sister, and friend; and

27 WHEREAS, as she celebrates this milestone 80th birthday, it is fitting and proper to
28 recognize her extraordinary contributions, enduring legacy, and the countless lives she has
29 touched throughout her journey.

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
31 honor and celebrate the remarkable life of Marilyn Arrington, extend heartfelt
32 congratulations on her 80th birthday, and express profound gratitude for her decades of
33 service, leadership, and unwavering dedication to education and community empowerment.

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 Marilyn Arrington.