

Senate Resolution 751

By: Senators Wicks of the 34th, Anderson of the 43rd and Rhett of the 33rd

## A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring Shontell Saunders-Murphy; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Shontell Saunders-Murphy 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, she served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United  
6 States Navy, valiantly and courageously protecting her fellow Americans until her honorable  
7 discharge in 1995; and

8 WHEREAS, During her service, she served as a Master-at-Arms, attended Yeoman training  
9 school, and went on to serve as a Yeoman to both the Commanding Officer and Executive  
10 Officer at Recruit Training Command in Orlando, Florida, where she developed a strong  
11 foundation in leadership, organization, and operational excellence; and

12 WHEREAS, following her military service, she has built a distinguished career in healthcare  
13 management and veteran advocacy, and currently serves as the President and CEO of  
14 Veterans Advocate, Inc., where she assists veterans in navigating the Veteran's Affairs  
15 disability compensation process; and

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16 WHEREAS, Shontell's significant organizational and leadership talents, remarkable patience  
17 and diplomacy, and keen sense of vision, have earned her the respect and admiration of her  
18 colleagues and associates; and

19 WHEREAS, committed to service beyond her profession, Shontell has held multiple  
20 leadership roles within the community, including serving on the Executive Board of  
21 American Veterans as a Public Relations Officer and on the Executive Board of the National  
22 Association of Black Military Women as a Social Media and Public Relations Officer; and

23 WHEREAS, she 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 honor Shontell Saunders-Murphy for her unwavering dedication to advocating for veterans,  
29 their families, and underserved communities and extend the most sincere best wishes for her  
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 Shontell  
33 Saunders-Murphy.