

Senate Resolution 1005

By: Senators Parent of the 44th, Jackson of the 41st, Goodman of the 8th, Harrell of the 40th, Anderson of the 43rd and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Mayor Patti Garrett upon her retirement; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mayor Patti Garrett has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the
4 vital role that she has played in leadership and her deep personal commitment to the welfare
5 of the citizens of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, she has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of her time,
7 talents, and energy toward the betterment of her community and state as evidenced
8 dramatically by her superlative 16 years of service to the City of Decatur, Georgia; and

9 WHEREAS, after moving to Oakhurst in 2001, she became deeply involved in her
10 community, serving on the board of the Oakhurst Neighborhood Association, participating
11 in the Oakhurst Community Garden, and chairing the Oakhurst Tour of Homes; and

12 WHEREAS, in 2010, Mayor Garrett was sworn in as a member of the Decatur City
13 Commission; and

14 WHEREAS, during her tenure on the commission, she spearheaded several important
15 developments across the City of Decatur, including a renewed focus on attracting
16 businesses and increasing density downtown, planning new land use for parking lots,
17 implementing Safe Routes to school, and expanding the city's use of new technology and
18 social media platforms; and

19 WHEREAS, she was elected Mayor of Decatur in 2016 and proudly led the city to the
20 purchase of Legacy Park within her first year of service, in addition to countless other
21 notable achievements; and

22 WHEREAS, Mayor Garrett has served with honor and distinction with the City of Decatur,
23 and her vision and unyielding commitment will be sorely missed upon the occasion of her
24 retirement; and

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
26 recognize and commend Mayor Patti Garrett for her efficient, effective, unselfish, and
27 dedicated public service to the State of Georgia; congratulate her upon the grand occasion
28 of her retirement; and extend the most sincere best wishes for continued health and
29 happiness.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
31 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Mayor Patti
32 Garrett.