

Senate Resolution 15EX

By: Senators James of the 28th and Rhett of the 33rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life and memory of Ronald D. Wood; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its distinguished citizens with the
3 passing of Ronald D. Wood; and

4 WHEREAS, a native of Atlanta, Georgia, Ronald D. Wood graduated from Albany State
5 College in 1970 with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and distinguished
6 himself as a member of the Golden Rams football team; and

7 WHEREAS, deeply committed to his alma mater, he devoted more than 45 years to
8 advancing Albany State University through generous financial support, student-athlete
9 scholarships, service on the Albany State University Foundation Board of Directors,
10 participation in the Albany State University Alumni Association, and leadership as the
11 founding president of the Albany State University Athletic Association; and

12 WHEREAS, he enjoyed a successful professional career with Ford Motor Company, Western
13 Electric, and Monsanto before pursuing entrepreneurship and founding the R.D. Wood
14 Insurance Agency in College Park, Georgia; and

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15 WHEREAS, through vision, integrity, and sound leadership, he built the agency into one of
16 the Southeast's premier independent insurance agencies, providing insurance services across
17 multiple states for more than five decades and earning the respect of colleagues throughout
18 the industry; and

19 WHEREAS, he was an active member of 100 Black Men of Atlanta, Kappa Alpha Psi
20 Fraternity Inc., The Independent Insurance Agents of Georgia, the Professional Insurance
21 Agents of Georgia, the Atlanta Airport Rotary Club, and Zion Hill Baptist Church, and he
22 generously supported youth sports programs and scholarship initiatives that encouraged
23 educational achievement and personal growth; and

24 WHEREAS, he further distinguished himself through his dedication to mentoring and
25 uplifting young people, earning the Rammy Lifetime Achievement Award for his
26 commitment to youth development and community service through the Youth Motivation
27 Task Force; and

28 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Ronald D. Wood will long be remembered
29 for his love of family, friendship, and community and will be missed by all who had the great
30 fortune of knowing him.

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
32 join in honoring the life and memory of Ronald D. Wood and express their deepest and most
33 sincere regret at his passing.

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 the family of
36 Ronald D. Wood.