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Senate Resolution 150

By: Senators Tate of the 38th, Fort of the 39th, Sims of the 12th and James of the 35th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Dr. Robert Threatt; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens
- 3 with the passing of Dr. Robert Threatt, a native of Columbus, Georgia; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Dr. Threatt was a graduate of Morris Brown College, Atlanta University, and
- 5 the University of Oklahoma, and he was a distinguished scholar of sociology, social studies,
- 6 curriculum, and school administration; and
- 7 WHEREAS, he served as an educator in many different capacities throughout his lifetime:
- 8 teaching in Harris County and at Spencer Junior High School; working and consulting with
- 9 the Georgia State Department of Education; serving as Professor of Education and
- 10 Coordinator of Student Teaching at Fort Valley State University; and serving as Assistant
- 11 Principal in the DeKalb County School System; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Dr. Threatt honorably served as the 13th president of Morris Brown College
- 13 from 1973 until 1991, worked as a consultant for the Georgia Accrediting Commission and
- 14 the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, and was the very first president of the
- 15 Georgia Association of Educators; and
- 16 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Dr. Robert Threatt was an active member of
- 17 Flipper Temple A.M.E. Church; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Dr. Threatt was united in love and marriage to his wife, Helen, in 1965, and the
- 19 loving couple spent much of their lives involved with numerous social and civic
- 20 organizations such as Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, the United Negro
- 21 College Fund, Links, Incorporated, AARP Women for Morris Brown College, and the Morris
- 22 Brown College Alumni Association; and

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WHEREAS, he served as President of the Atlanta Branch of the NAACP and was an active

- 24 member of Joymen Club of Atlanta since 1973, and he was honored with the Atlanta Area
- 25 Council of the Boy Scouts of America's Whitney M. Young Award in 2008; and
- 26 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern
- 27 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his
- 28 family and friends were admired by others; and
- 29 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
- 30 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example he made of his life, he
- 31 made this world a better place in which to live; and
- 32 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Dr. Robert Threatt will long be
- 33 remembered for his love of family and friendship, and this loyal husband, educator, and
- 34 friend will be missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing him.
- 35 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 36 join in honoring the life and memory of Dr. Robert Threatt and express their deepest and
- 37 most sincere regret at his passing.
- 38 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 39 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the family of Dr.
- 40 Robert Threatt.