

Senate Resolution 1534

By: Senators Henson of the 41st, Brown of the 26th, Rogers of the 21st, Ramsey, Sr. of the 43rd, Butler of the 55th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Ms. Susan Saleska Hamilton for her years of work at the
2 Georgia General Assembly on behalf of her many clients; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Ms. Susan Saleska Hamilton has long been recognized by her colleagues for
4 her unparalleled expertise and untarnished professionalism in the field of politics, advocacy,
5 elections, and lobbying; and

6 WHEREAS, born just outside Detroit, Michigan, Ms. Hamilton earned a bachelor's degree
7 in social work from Western Michigan University and a master's degree in public
8 administration from the University of Michigan and has worked tirelessly for numerous
9 nonprofit organizations; and

10 WHEREAS, she served in Governor Zell Miller's administration in 1984, where she was
11 an aide to Governor Miller, and began her lobbying career shortly thereafter, representing
12 diverse clients such as the Georgia Trial Lawyers Association, the Police Benevolent
13 Association, the Feminist Women's Health Center, Georgia Equality, the Center for
14 Responsible Lending, the Atlanta Women's Foundation, the Georgia Psychological
15 Association, the Georgia Association of Clinical Social Workers, and many others; and

16 WHEREAS, Ms. Hamilton has successfully supported the passage of numerous pieces of
17 important legislation, including the first hate crimes bill, the strongest anti-predatory lending
18 bill in the nation, prescriptive equity, and many more; and

19 WHEREAS, she is well-known and highly respected for her work in the Georgia General
20 Assembly and for the devoted mentoring she has provided to dozens of young men and
21 women with an interest in public policy; and

22 WHEREAS, Ms. Hamilton has been recognized with numerous, prestigious honors and
23 accolades throughout her career, including the 2010 Legacy Award from the Feminist
24 Women's Health Center and the 2010 Golden Pigeon Award from her colleagues; and

25 WHEREAS, in addition to her extensive work within the Georgia public policy realm, Ms.
26 Hamilton and her husband, Hu Hamilton, have raised four successful, intelligent, and
27 hard-working children; and

28 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of
29 this distinguished woman be appropriately recognized.

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
31 recognize Ms. Susan Saleska Hamilton for her diligent, effective, and dedicated service to
32 her clients, the Georgia General Assembly, her staff, and the democratic system of
33 government and commend her for her outstanding leadership and successes over the years.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
35 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Ms. Susan Saleska Hamilton.