

Senate Resolution 1029

By: Senators Summers of the 13th, Strickland of the 17th, Anderson of the 24th, Wilkinson of the 50th, Harper of the 7th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Senator Ellis Black on his outstanding public service; and for
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Senator Ellis Black has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the
4 vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare
5 of the citizens of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, Senator Black was elected to the Georgia State Senate in 2015 to serve Senate
7 District 8, which includes Brooks, Clinch, Cook, Echols, Lanier, and Lowndes counties, as
8 well as portions of Thomas County; and

9 WHEREAS, in his final term, he served on several senate committees, including Agriculture
10 and Consumer Affairs, Appropriations, Education and Youth, Finance, Retirement, and State
11 and Local Governmental Operations; and

12 WHEREAS, as chairman of the Retirement Committee, Senator Ellis championed the
13 welfare of Georgia citizens who dedicated their careers to serving our state, and his efforts
14 have resulted in a more streamlined, fair, and helpful retirement system; and

15 WHEREAS, an active member of the community, he has served in varying capacities with
16 several organizations, including the Lowndes County Farm Bureau, the Valdosta-Lowndes
17 County Chamber of Commerce, and the Brooks County Airport Authority; and

18 WHEREAS, Senator Black has served with honor and distinction with the Georgia State
19 Senate, and his vision and unyielding commitment will be sorely missed upon the occasion
20 of his retirement; and

21 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
22 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
24 recognize and commend Senator Ellis Black for his efficient, effective, unselfish, and
25 dedicated public service to the State of Georgia; congratulate him upon the grand occasion
26 of his retirement; and extend the most sincere best wishes for continued health and
27 happiness.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
29 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Senator Ellis
30 Black.