

## Senate Resolution 1044

By: Senators Beach of the 21st, Albers of the 56th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th and Jones of the 25th

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Honorable Colonel Dr. Samuel Verniero Jr.; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Honorable Colonel Dr. Samuel Verniero Jr. has long been recognized by  
4 the citizens of this state for his humanitarian, diplomatic, and political contributions; and

5 WHEREAS, Colonel Verniero has been a distinguished citizen of the City of Woodstock for  
6 nearly a decade; and

7 WHEREAS, Colonel Verniero has served the public in multiple capacities within various  
8 agencies throughout both the State of Georgia and the greater United States in both an  
9 official and diplomatic manner; and

10 WHEREAS, Colonel Verniero was appointed by Governor Brian Kemp to both the Georgia  
11 Rehabilitation Council and the Statewide Independent Living Council of Georgia, and he has  
12 honorably served as an advocate for persons with disabilities; and

13 WHEREAS, Colonel Verniero has served his community as a Kentucky Colonel; an  
14 Arkansas Traveler and Ambassador; an Ambassador to the United Nations World Humanity  
15 Commission; and as a member of the DeKalb County Community Service Board, Selective  
16 Service Judicial Board, and Behavioral Health Advisory Council; and

17 WHEREAS, his dedication to improving mental health within local and state communities  
18 is demonstrated by his leadership throughout his esteemed career; and

19 WHEREAS, Colonel Verniero has been diagnosed with polycythemia vera, a rare and  
20 terminal blood cancer; and

21 WHEREAS, despite the odds, Colonel Verniero has persevered through his prognosis and  
22 continues to be a shining example of heroism throughout Cherokee County and the State of  
23 Georgia; and

24 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished  
25 Georgian be recognized appropriately.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
27 recognize and commend the Honorable Colonel Dr. Samuel Verniero Jr. for his efficient,  
28 effective, unselfish, and dedicated service to the State of Georgia and extend the most sincere  
29 best wishes for continued health and 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 the Honorable  
32 Colonel Dr. Samuel Verniero Jr.