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Senate Resolution 466

By: Senator Harbison of the 15th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Marvin Broadwater Sr.; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Marvin Broadwater Sr. is a meritorious member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity
- 3 Incorporated, the first fraternity founded at a historically Black college, and is active with the
- 4 Lambda Iota Chapter, a prominent service organization serving Columbus, Georgia; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Omega's Lambda Iota Chapter is a premier civic and charitable volunteer
- 6 organization with impactful community programs: The Omega Lamplighters, a distinguished
- 7 mentoring program in the City of Columbus, and the Robert L. Anderson Purple and Gold
- 8 Golf Tournament, which generates thousands of dollars for college scholarships each year;
- 9 and
- 10 WHEREAS, Marvin Broadwater Sr. is the 2023 Omega Man of the Year for the Lambda Iota
- 11 Chapter, the highest recognition a member of the fraternity can receive, for a remarkable
- 12 fourth time; and
- WHEREAS, as a nationally distinguished Omega, he chairs the fraternity's State of Georgia
- 14 Fatherhood Initiative and Youth Mentoring Program and is credited with the production of

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15 the Omega Psi Phi Georgia State License Plate, which has produced more than \$150,000 in

- 16 scholarships for college students; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Mr. Broadwater, a retired senior non-commissioned officer of the United States
- 18 Army, is a decorated military hero who has earned commendations for several heroic deeds,
- 19 including the Soldier's Medal for Heroism for a minefield extraction of a wounded soldier
- 20 in Bosnia, a Bronze Star Medal, two Meritorious Service Medals, eight Army Commendation
- 21 Medals, seven Army Achievement Medals, one Joint Meritorious Unit Award, two
- 22 Meritorious Unit Commendation Awards, and a Combat Medical Badge and Senior Aircrew
- 23 Member Badge, credited with saving 17 lives during life-saving medical evacuations; and
- 24 WHEREAS, voted as one of the Top 50 most influential persons in Columbus, Mr.
- 25 Broadwater serves as a deputy registrar of Muscogee County and is an active member of
- 26 several prominent Muscogee County and Columbus civic progress organizations; and
- 27 WHEREAS, Mr. Broadwater serves as a deacon of Canaan Baptist Church in Columbus,
- 28 where he serves as chair of the Youth Ministry and is a member of the Men's Ministry.
- 29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 30 recognize and commend Marvin Broadwater Sr. for his extraordinary accomplishments,
- 31 Omega Psi Phi Fraternity leadership, and dedicated public service to the State of Georgia as
- 32 well as extend best wishes for continued leadership excellence and community service
- 33 endeavors as a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity.
- 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 Marvin
- 36 Broadwater Sr.