

2019 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 5

BY SENATOR THOMPSON

COMMENDATIONS. Commends Margie Yates Jenkins for her outstanding contributions to horticulture and for being the first woman inducted into the Louisiana Agriculture Hall of Distinction.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend Margie Yates Jenkins for her outstanding contributions to horticulture and for
3 being the first woman inducted into the Louisiana Agriculture Hall of Distinction.

4 WHEREAS, Margie Yates Jenkins was born in 1921 in St. Tammany Parish and
5 began her love of nature growing up on a farm where her parents farmed cotton, sugarcane,
6 and timber, and were successful cattle and sheep ranchers; and

7 WHEREAS, after graduating from Franklinton High School in 1938, Margie began
8 working for what is now the state Farm Service Agency; and

9 WHEREAS, in 1951, she and her late husband, Bryant, moved to Tangipahoa Parish
10 and planted their first cash crop, a small watermelon field; and

11 WHEREAS, they established their landscaping nursery in 1960 after buying fifty
12 acres of what is now Jenkins Farm and Nursery in Amite City; and

13 WHEREAS, Margie and her husband Bryant raised five beautiful children, four of
14 whom work with her at Jenkins Farms and Nursery, a 128-acre nursery east of Amite; and

15 WHEREAS, at the age of fifty-four she taught herself how to propagate plants and
16 has done so for the last forty years; and

17 WHEREAS, Margie has hosted countless educational events through the LSU
18 AgCenter and remains an active member of the Louisiana Forestry Association; and

