

Senate Resolution 673

By: Senator James of the 35th

**ADOPTED SENATE**

**A RESOLUTION**

1 Declaring March 7, 2002, as "Safe Drivers' Awareness Day" and expressing support for the  
2 theme of this 2002 observance: "Continuing Our Traffic Safety Progress (Preventing DUI  
3 and Young Driver Fatalities)"; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, each year many lives are lost in this state due to motor vehicle accidents; and

5 WHEREAS, as the state's population grows, so does the number of motor vehicles on the  
6 state's roadways, which leads to an increase in the number of motor vehicle collisions and  
7 injuries to persons; and

8 WHEREAS, if drivers would embrace the idea of "Continuing Our Traffic Safety Progress"  
9 in both attitudes and actions, many lives could be saved; and

10 WHEREAS, lives would also be saved if drivers would encourage their peers to adopt safe  
11 driving habits and avoid impaired driving; and

12 WHEREAS, in observance of Safe Drivers' Awareness Day on March 7, 2002, each driver  
13 in this state, especially young drivers is encouraged to be especially aware and attentive  
14 while driving and is urged to:

15 (1) Observe the seat belt laws;

16 (2) Observe child safety seat precautions;

17 (3) Observe the speed limit;

18 (4) Respect the rights and safety of pedestrians;

19 (5) Observe the laws relating to driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs;

20 (6) Concentrate while driving on the safe and proper operation of his or her motor  
21 vehicle and be especially observant of weather, traffic, or other conditions which may  
22 have an adverse effect on safety; and

1 (7) Exercise good judgment when using cellular telephones while driving by using  
2 hands-free telephones, if available, or by postponing the use of the telephone until the  
3 vehicle is safely stopped and out of traffic.

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
5 declare March 7, 2002, "Safe Drivers' Awareness Day" and urge Georgia drivers,  
6 particularly young drivers to continue our Traffic Safety Progress."

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
8 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Department of Public Safety.