

## Senate Resolution 681

By: Senators Brown of the 26th, Cable of the 27th and Moore of the 18th

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Welcoming citizens and public officials from Macon and Bibb County, observing
- 2 March 5, 2002, as Macon Day in Atlanta-Taste of Macon, recognizing the 2002 Cherry
- 3 Blossom Festival; and for other purposes.
- 4 WHEREAS, public officials and citizens from Macon, Georgia, and Bibb County annually
- 5 come to the General Assembly to meet with the area's legislative delegation. A healthy
- 6 democracy demands an active interchange of ideas between citizens and their elected
- 7 representatives; and
- 8 WHEREAS, the views of elected officials from the counties and cities of the state are always
- 9 deeply interesting to members of the General Assembly, and the citizens and public officials
- 10 from Macon and Bibb County frequently offer invaluable advice and counsel to their
- 11 legislative delegation on the annual legislative visit; and
- 12 WHEREAS, the officials and citizens from Macon and Bibb County have outstanding
- 13 leadership in Mayor C. Jack Ellis and Tommy Olmstead, Chairman of the Board of
- 14 Commissioners of Bibb County; and
- 15 WHEREAS, the legislative delegation from Macon and Bibb County annually awaits the
- 16 citizens' and local officials' delegation from Macon and Bibb County with eager anticipation
- 17 both because of its invaluable advice and counsel and because of the culinary delights
- 18 afforded by The Taste of Macon; and
- 19 WHEREAS, the legislative delegation then looks forward to returning home to see the annual
- 20 blooming of the Yoshino cherry trees in the City of Macon and Bibb County which is a
- 21 beautiful sight that signals the arrival of spring in the State of Georgia; and
- 22 WHEREAS, the Cherry Blossom Festival is sponsored each year by the Keep Macon-Bibb
- 23 Beautiful Commission as a special celebration of the spring season, and throughout the year

1 the citizens of Macon and Bibb County and the State of Georgia look forward to this period  
2 and to the enjoyment of the many festivities planned; and

3 WHEREAS, representatives of the city and county and the festival sponsors will again this  
4 year be distributing Yoshino cherry trees to members of the General Assembly and others  
5 in promotion of the festival, and this gesture is greatly appreciated as it contributes  
6 significantly to the beautification of the state; and

7 WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this body recognize this excellent tradition and express its  
8 appreciation of the many contributions made to the State of Georgia by the annual Cherry  
9 Blossom Festival.

10 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this  
11 body welcome the citizens and public officials from Macon and Bibb County, observing  
12 March 5, 2002, as Macon Day in Atlanta-Taste of Macon, recognize and appreciate the 2002  
13 Cherry Blossom Festival.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
15 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Honorable C. Jack Ellis and the  
16 Honorable Tommy Olmstead.