

House Resolution 1225

By: Representatives Lucas of the 124th, Randall of the 127th, Reichert of the 126th, Birdsong of the 123rd, Graves of the 125th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Welcoming citizens and public officials from Macon and Bibb County, recognizing the 2002
2 Cherry Blossom Festival, and inviting the mayor and council of the City of Macon, the
3 members of the Board of Commissioners of Bibb County, the Keep Macon-Bibb Beautiful
4 Commission, and the Cherry Blossom Festival Board are invited to appear before this body;
5 and for other purposes.

6 WHEREAS, public officials and citizens from Macon, Georgia, and Bibb County annually
7 come to the General Assembly to meet with the area's legislative delegation. A healthy
8 democracy demands an active interchange of ideas between citizens and their elected
9 representatives; and

10 WHEREAS, the views of elected officials from the counties and cities of the state are always
11 deeply interesting to members of the General Assembly, and the citizens and public officials
12 from Macon and Bibb County frequently offer invaluable advice and counsel to their
13 legislative delegation on the annual legislative visit; and

14 WHEREAS, the legislative delegation then looks forward to returning home to see the annual
15 blooming of the 250,000 blooming Yoshino cherry trees in the City of Macon and Bibb
16 County which is a beautiful sight that signals the arrival of spring in the State of Georgia; and

17 WHEREAS, the Cherry Blossom Festival, which will be held from March 15 through March
18 24 this year, is sponsored each year by the Keep Macon-Bibb Beautiful Commission as a
19 special celebration of the spring season which attracts over 700,000 participants each year,
20 and over 500 events are planned, most of which are free to the public; and

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

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

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
5 the members of this body welcome the citizens and public officials from Macon and Bibb
6 County and recognize and appreciate the 2002 Cherry Blossom Festival.

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the mayor and council of the City of Macon, the
8 members of the Board of Commissioners of Bibb County, the Keep Macon-Bibb Beautiful
9 Commission, and the Cherry Blossom Festival Board are invited to appear before this body
10 at a time and date designated by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
12 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the public and the press.