

Senate Resolution 117

By: Senators James of the 35th, Tate of the 38th, Hecht of the 34th, Scott of the 36th and Fort of the 39th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing South Fulton County Legislative Day at the Capitol on February 15, 2001; and
2 for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, on February 15, 2001, elected officials from the state, county, and municipal
4 levels, along with the constituents they serve, will come together to declare and celebrate the
5 success and unique appeal of South Fulton County, Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, South Fulton County, which includes sections of unincorporated Fulton County
7 and the Cities of College Park, Union City, East Point, Hapeville, Palmetto, and Fairburn,
8 is a vibrant, beautiful community, rich in natural resources and competitive business
9 advantages; and

10 WHEREAS, the progressive governments of South Fulton County provide a positive
11 environment for business growth through efficient services and effective collaboration with
12 developers to create new employment opportunities; and

13 WHEREAS, the selection of South Fulton County for the Quaker Oats Company's \$50
14 million Gatorade/Snapple bottling plant; for pro basketball star Earvin "Magic" Johnson's
15 fashionable movie theater in the Greenbriar area; and for a proposed \$7 million Cultural Arts
16 Center all reflect an energetic and dynamic community bristling with opportunities; and

17 WHEREAS, South Fulton County is also benefiting greatly from the efforts of the Kroger
18 Company which are having an invigorating impact on the local economy and are reflective
19 of the revitalized spirit of the community; and

20 WHEREAS, South Fulton County is the culmination of multimodal transportation: home of
21 Hartsfield International Airport, hub for two of the nation's largest railroads, networked to
22 the compass by four interstate highways, and having the southernmost terminus of
23 MARTA's commuter rapid rail; and

1 WHEREAS, with more than 7,000 hotel rooms and bountiful exhibit and meeting spaces,
2 including the Georgia International Convention Center, South Fulton is a powerful
3 contributor to serving metro Atlanta's vital convention and hospitality industries; and

4 WHEREAS, South Fulton County has more than 850 manufacturing and distribution firms
5 and the largest contiguous industrial park in the eastern United States; and

6 WHEREAS, of the 125,000 acres in South Fulton County, more than 100,000 acres are
7 available for development; and

8 WHEREAS, the proposed development of the area along South Fulton Parkway, including
9 plans to build upscale residential housing and a golf course, is indicative of the exciting
10 growth and progress of the county and its immense potential for further development; and

11 WHEREAS, South Fulton County legislators, commissioners, mayors, and citizens are
12 committed to working together to continuously improve the quality of life in South Fulton
13 County communities. They have successfully established such initiatives as the Educational
14 Wrap-around Collaborative, which includes Parent University, Red Carpet Schools, and the
15 South Fulton Incubator Project; and

16 WHEREAS, with abundant resources and the commitment from all sectors of the community
17 to continue to work cooperatively for quality economic development, the future of South
18 Fulton County has never looked more promising; and

19 WHEREAS, the 2001 South Fulton County Legislative Day is dedicated to the purpose of
20 recognizing and celebrating the vibrancy and commitment to the community of the residents
21 of South Fulton County.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
23 recognize and observe South Fulton County Legislative Day at the Capitol on February 15,
24 2001, and heartily welcome to the Capitol the esteemed leaders and residents of South Fulton
25 County.