

## House Resolution 200

By: Representatives Ray of the 108<sup>th</sup> and James of the 114<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending the Georgia Peach Festival; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the peach has long been a nationally recognized symbol for the State of  
3 Georgia; and
- 4 WHEREAS, the year 2003 will see the 80th anniversary of celebrating the peach in middle  
5 Georgia; and
- 6 WHEREAS, the Georgia Peach Festival originated in Peach County, Georgia, in 1987,  
7 thanks to the inspiration of Mr. Harold Peavy, who conceived the festival for the purpose of  
8 promoting Peach County, Georgia, and the peach industry; and
- 9 WHEREAS, this annual festival, now in its fifty-second year, celebrates Peach County's  
10 status as one of the largest producers of peaches in the state; and
- 11 WHEREAS, tens of thousands of visitors attended the 2002 festival and enjoyed the  
12 award-winning "Peach Bin Races," fresh peach ice cream, and peach-packing house tours;  
13 and
- 14 WHEREAS, the Georgia peach industry has played a significant role in the economic growth  
15 and prosperity of our state, and Georgia ranks second in the nation in the annual production  
16 of peaches; and
- 17 WHEREAS, the Georgia Peach Festival will be held June 13 through June 15, 2003, in  
18 Byron and Fort Valley; and Georgians from across the state are invited to the festival and  
19 encouraged to participate in this weekend of marvelous festivities, particularly the chance  
20 to see and sample the "World's Largest Peach Cobbler"; watch the parade, Miss Georgia  
21 Peach Pageant, and continuous main stage acts; share in the fun with Clown Town Children's  
22 Entertainment; and cap off the evening with street dancing and fireworks.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
2 the members of this body commend the Georgia Peach Festival for promoting the importance  
3 of this agricultural product of Georgia and for celebrating February 26, 2003, as Georgia  
4 Peach Festival Day at the Capitol.

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
6 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Board of Directors of  
7 the Georgia Peach Festival.