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House Resolution 269

By: Representatives Bordeaux of the 125<sup>th</sup>, Jackson of the 124<sup>th</sup>, Post 1, Stephens of the 124<sup>th</sup>, Post 2, Stephens of the 123<sup>rd</sup>, Day of the 126<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and honoring the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee, Chairman Hugh E.
- 2 Coleman, the 2003 St. Patrick's Day Parade's Grand Marshal Lawrence S. "Pete" Conneff,
- and inviting them to appear before the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.
- 4 WHEREAS, the 2003 St. Patrick's Day Parade in Savannah will mark the 179th occasion on
- 5 which this festive event has been held in this historic city with proud Irish roots; and
- 6 WHEREAS, this celebration was begun in 1824 by the Hibernian Society of Savannah,
- 7 which was formed to aid the early Irish immigrants to Georgia; and
- 8 WHEREAS, many Irish organizations have contributed to the longevity and success of this
- 9 celebration, and the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee, which was formed in 1926, has
- 10 carried on the tradition for the past 77 years; and
- 11 WHEREAS, according to one of Ireland's former Prime Ministers, "Ireland is where strange
- 12 tales begin and happy endings are possible," and the same holds true for the beautiful City
- 13 of Savannah; and
- 14 WHEREAS, this historic annual parade is among the largest Irish celebrations in the nation
- and it is held in the lovely historic district and is always a joyous and meaningful occasion
- 16 for the citizens of Savannah, Chatham County, and the State of Georgia.
- 17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 18 this body recognizes and honors the members of the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee,
- 19 Chairman Hugh E. Coleman, and the 2003 St. Patrick's Day Parade's Grand Marshal
- 20 Lawrence S. "Pete" Conneff for their tireless efforts in organizing and their great work on
- behalf of the 2003 St. Patrick's Day Parade and their many important contributions to their
- 22 community and state and invite them to appear before this body on a date and at a time
- 23 designated by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized

- 2 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the St. Patrick's Day Parade
- 3 Committee Chairman Hugh E. Coleman and the Grand Marshal of Savannah's 2003 St.
- 4 Patrick's Day Parade Lawrence S. "Pete" Coneff.