

House Resolution 1164

By: Representative Buckner of the 109<sup>th</sup>

### A RESOLUTION

1 Announcing the American Heart Association's "Go Red for Women Day"; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, February 6, 2004, is "Go Red for Women Day" in Georgia; and

4 WHEREAS, cardiovascular disease is the leading cause of death for women in Georgia,  
5 accounting for 42 percent of all female deaths in the state; and

6 WHEREAS, more than 13,000 women die each year from cardiovascular disease in Georgia;  
7 and

8 WHEREAS, there are more cardiovascular disease deaths in females than males both  
9 nationwide and in Georgia; and

10 WHEREAS, cardiovascular diseases claim the lives of over 500,000 women a year in the  
11 United States and strokes claim the lives of over 100,000 women; and

12 WHEREAS, one in three women dies of heart disease and one in five females has some form  
13 of heart or blood vessel disease; and

14 WHEREAS, only about a third of women know that heart disease is the leading cause of  
15 death for women; and

16 WHEREAS, women over age 55 are at a higher risk for high blood pressure than men; and

17 WHEREAS, all women should ask their doctor about their risk for heart disease and stroke;  
18 and

1 WHEREAS, the American Heart Association invites women to take charge of their heart  
2 health, make it a top priority, and live a stronger, longer life through its "Go Red for Women"  
3 campaign.

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
5 this body declares that February 6, 2004, is "Go Red for Women Day" in Georgia in honor  
6 of all the women – our wives, mothers, and daughters – who have been touched by heart  
7 disease or stroke.

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
9 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the American Heart  
10 Association.