

Senate Resolution 283

By: Senator Bulloch of the 11th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the 100th anniversary of the founding of Grady County, Georgia; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, 2005 marks the 100th year of the existence of Grady County and, on the
4 occasion of this historical milestone, Grady County honors its proud and rich heritage with
5 a centennial celebration; and

6 WHEREAS, Grady County was created on August 17, 1905, by an Act of the Georgia
7 General Assembly and is named for Henry Woodfin Grady, the great American orator,
8 journalist, and author; spokesperson for the "New South"; and editor of the Atlanta
9 Constitution; and

10 WHEREAS, the county was home to the Lower Creek tribe of Native Americans until the
11 early 1800s, and, in the 1820s, William Hawthorne, a Baptist preacher and explorer, blazed
12 a trail through 40 miles of wilderness to settle his family along Tired Creek near present day
13 Cairo, which became known as the "North Carolina Settlement" and then "Calvary" in
14 reference to the Christians who settled in this area seeking "nature's garden spot"; and

15 WHEREAS, Grady County's 458.2 square miles of rolling terrain and fertile soil coupled
16 with its favorable climate make it one of the richest farming areas in the nation, earning it the
17 title "Original Diversified Farming County of the Southeast"; and

18 WHEREAS, today, Grady County remains a vital and important part of Georgia and a
19 wonderful and welcoming home to many of this state's great citizens.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
21 honor the 100th anniversary of Grady County and extends its best wishes to each and every
22 resident of Grady County for many more years of health and prosperity.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
2 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Grady County Board of
3 Commissioners.