

## House Resolution 770

By: Representatives Burns of the 157<sup>th</sup>, Harbin of the 118<sup>th</sup>, Rogers of the 26<sup>th</sup>, and Johnson of the 37<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Celebrating the centennial of Jenkins County, Georgia; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, the Town of Millen, built around the Central railroad line from Savannah, was  
3 incorporated in 1881; however, around the turn of the century, the citizens of Millen became  
4 concerned when their beloved community was not keeping up with the growth in similar  
5 towns that were not as favorably located; and

6 WHEREAS, in a series of town meetings, these citizens discussed the tremendous difficulties  
7 they faced due to the fact that the Burke-Screven County line ran through the heart of Millen,  
8 causing much inconvenience to their business transactions; and

9 WHEREAS, the town's frustrations reached a climax in 1905, and a delegation was sent to  
10 the state capitol to urge the legislature to create a new county; and

11 WHEREAS, Jenkins County was created on September 27, 1905, by an Act of the Georgia  
12 General Assembly and was named for Charles J. Jenkins, who overcame great personal  
13 hardship to become Governor of Georgia during the turbulent period of Reconstruction; and

14 WHEREAS, in 2005, the great County of Jenkins, which has become a vital and important  
15 part of Georgia and a wonderful and welcoming home to many of this state's esteemed  
16 citizens, is celebrating the 100th anniversary of its founding, and it is absolutely fitting and  
17 proper that this body join in the recognition of this significant historical milestone.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
19 this body celebrates the 100th anniversary of Jenkins County and extends to each and every  
20 resident of the county sincere best wishes on this auspicious occasion for many more years  
21 of health and prosperity.

- 1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 2 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the governing authority of
- 3 Jenkins County.