

Senate Resolution 576

By: Senator Mullis of the 53rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the City of Rossville for its efforts to promote tourism in Georgia; and for
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, tourism is Georgia's second largest industry and supports 209,500 jobs while
4 contributing \$1.14 billion in state and local tax revenue each year for a savings of over
5 \$380.00 in state and local taxes to each Georgia household; and

6 WHEREAS, poised in the rolling hills of North Georgia, the City of Rossville hosts a wide
7 variety of tourist destinations, many of which feature the community's deep ties to Cherokee
8 heritage and the county's historic role in the War between the States; and

9 WHEREAS, the City of Rossville takes great pride and care in these treasured sites and has
10 generously invested its resources to promote tourism in Georgia; and

11 WHEREAS, Rossville boasts the Ross House, the oldest remaining structure in Northwest
12 Georgia, built by John McDonald, a Scottish trader, and named for his grandson, John Ross,
13 who became the first and only elected chief of the Cherokee Nation; and

14 WHEREAS, the City of Rossville and especially Mayor Johnny Baker; councilmembers
15 Charles Dunn, Ted Harris, Rick Buff, and Nathan Bain; and City Clerk Sherry Foster stand
16 as a shining example of the important impact that each community can have on the vitality
17 of our state's tourism industry.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
19 join in commending the City of Rossville, home of some of the state's most interesting,
20 historic, and picturesque sites, for its many outstanding contributions to tourism in Georgia.

- 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 Mayor, City Council, City Clerk of
- 3 Rossville, Georgia.