

## House Resolution 1198

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Urging the House of Representatives to recite the pledge of allegiance to the Georgia flag at  
2 appropriate times; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Georgia law has included a pledge of allegiance to the Georgia flag since 1951;  
4 and

5 WHEREAS, Official Code of Georgia Annotated Section 50-3-2 provides that the pledge of  
6 allegiance to the state flag is: "I pledge allegiance to the Georgia flag and to the principles  
7 for which it stands: Wisdom, Justice, and Moderation"; and

8 WHEREAS, the words of the pledge of allegiance to the Georgia flag appropriately  
9 encompass the words "Wisdom, Justice, and Moderation," which have appeared on the Great  
10 Seal of Georgia for more than 90 years; and

11 WHEREAS, the existence and words of the pledge of allegiance to the Georgia flag are not  
12 well known among Representatives or other Georgians; and

13 WHEREAS, it is altogether fitting and proper for the House of Representatives to recite the  
14 pledge to the Georgia flag.

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
16 the members of this body are urged to adopt a custom of reciting the pledge to the Georgia  
17 flag in unison at appropriate times, including but not limited to the first and last days of the  
18 General Assembly session, near the beginning of the House proceedings on such days.