

Senate Resolution 1173

By: Senator Meyer von Bremen of the 12th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the Albany Museum of Art and its Director Aaron Berger on the institution's
2 recognition as the 2005 Museum of the Year by the Georgia Association of Museums; and
3 for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, the Albany Museum of Art was recognized for its attendance which is over
5 20,000 annually, exhibitions and education programs, the museum's reputation in the field,
6 and its commitment to the community by being selected from more than 150 institutions
7 across the state as the 2005 Museum of the Year; and

8 WHEREAS, for a relatively new and regional museum, the Albany Museum of Art has
9 assembled an impressive and growing permanent collection composed of American,
10 European, and African art, including 2,400 original works of art with more than 200 on
11 display at any given time; and

12 WHEREAS, the Albany Museum of Art houses one of the largest collections of sub-Saharan
13 African art in the southeast, which holdings include a wealth of masks, sculpture, pottery,
14 baskets, textiles, jewelry, and gold weights; and

15 WHEREAS, the American and European collections include paintings, drawings,
16 photographs, and sculpture with the American collection anchored by the paintings of
17 Edward Pothast, Joseph Sharp, Ernest Lawson, Reginald Marsh, and A.L. Ripley; and

18 WHEREAS, Director Aaron Berger, who has also served as a member of the board of
19 directors of the Arts Leadership League of Georgia, has demonstrated exemplary leadership
20 and been the driving force of excellence for this fine institution.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
22 commend the Albany Museum of Art and Director Aaron Berger for their outstanding work

1 in enriching the lives of the citizens of this state and for being recognized as the 2005
2 Museum of the Year.

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
4 to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the Albany Museum of Art and Director
5 Aaron Berger.