

Senate Resolution 1192

By: Senators Harp of the 29th and Harbison of the 15th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing March 16, 2006, as Columbus Day at the Capitol; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Georgia has been very blessed to have had the wonderful City of Columbus in
3 its midst for over 175 years; and
- 4 WHEREAS, at the direction of the Georgia Legislature, Columbus was founded on the east
5 bank of the Chattahoochee River and chartered as a city in 1828; and
- 6 WHEREAS, a textile center for most of its history until the 1970s, Columbus is today home
7 the world headquarters of Aflac, TSYS credit card processing, Synovus Banking, Carmike
8 Cinemas, Japanese battery manufacturing company MBIA, Pratt & Whitney, and numerous
9 other thriving businesses; and
- 10 WHEREAS, in 1971, the former City of Columbus and Muscogee County consolidated to
11 form the Columbus Consolidated Government, the first such government in Georgia and then
12 one of only a handful in the nation; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Columbus is a center for the arts, with the RiverCenter for the Performing Arts,
14 the Springer Opera House (Georgia's Official State Theatre), and Columbus State
15 University's music, art, and theater campuses all clustered in the city's Uptown area; and
- 16 WHEREAS, what most makes this city so special is its diverse, value-minded citizens, who
17 are proud of Columbus's rich heritage and great promise for the future.
- 18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
19 join in recognizing March 16, 2006, as Columbus Day at the Capitol.

- 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 Honorable Bob Poydasheff, Mayor of
- 3 Columbus.