

Senate Bill 484

By: Senator Bulloch of the 11th

AS PASSED

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 3 of Chapter 3 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
2 relating to other state symbols, so as to declare the City of Colquitt as Georgia's First Mural
3 City; and for other purposes.

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5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 WHEREAS, the mission of the Colquitt-Miller Arts Council, Inc., is to encourage, enrich,
7 and stimulate the practice and appreciation of the arts among the people living in its
8 geographic area; and

9 WHEREAS, the Colquitt Millennium Mural Project strives to beautify the downtown area
10 with different styles of mural artwork and is presently at work on its tenth mural; and

11 WHEREAS, the project is intended to bond the community, create a tourism magnet,
12 revitalize the local economy, and transfer values of the community to the next generation
13 through the creation of public artworks; and

14 WHEREAS, the project strives to illustrate to local citizens and visitors the power of the arts
15 as a catalyst for positive social and economic change; and

16 WHEREAS, the project will strive to develop a mural city program where other communities
17 can learn how to implement high quality murals in their communities; and

18 WHEREAS, the project will strive to develop a Georgia Mural Trail to help educate visitors
19 and market Georgia's murals.

SECTION 1.

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2 Article 3 of Chapter 3 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to other
3 state symbols, is amended by inserting at the end thereof a new Code section to read as
4 follows:

5 "50-3-82.

6 (a) The City of Colquitt is designated as Georgia's First Mural City.

7 (b) The Department of Economic Development and other public agencies and leaders in
8 the tourism industry are encouraged to work together to maximize advertising programs
9 which permit citizens of other states and nations to learn of Georgia's First Mural City and
10 to visit the State of Georgia for tourism purposes."

SECTION 2.

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12 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.