

A RESOLUTION

1 Proclaiming January 13, 2007, as Korean American Day in Georgia; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, January 13, 2007, has been proclaimed as Korean American Day by the United  
3 States House of Representatives; and

4 WHEREAS, the influence of Korean Americans can be found in all facets of American life,  
5 including entrepreneurship, the arts, and education; and

6 WHEREAS, on January 13, 1903, 102 pioneer Korean immigrants arrived in the United  
7 States initiating the first chapter of Korean immigration to America; and

8 WHEREAS, the centennial year of 2003 marked an important milestone in the history of  
9 Korean immigration; and

10 WHEREAS, Korean Americans, like other groups of immigrants that came to the United  
11 States before them, have settled and thrived in the United States through strong family ties,  
12 community support, and hard work; and

13 WHEREAS, Korean Americans have made significant contributions to the economic vitality  
14 of the United States and the global marketplace; and

15 WHEREAS, Korean Americans have invigorated businesses, churches, and academic  
16 communities in the United States; and

17 WHEREAS, Korean Americans have made enormous contributions to the military strength  
18 of the United States; and

19 WHEREAS, today, at least 4,000 Korean Americans serve in the armed forces of the United  
20 States, with approximately 25 percent of them currently serving in Iraq; and

1 WHEREAS, the Centennial Committees of Korean Immigration and Korean Americans have  
2 designated January 13 of each year as "Korean American Day" to commemorate the first step  
3 of the long and prosperous journey of Korean Americans in the United States.

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
5 this body:

6 (1) Supports the goals and ideals of Korean American Day;

7 (2) Urges all Americans to observe Korean American Day so as to have a greater  
8 appreciation of the invaluable contributions Korean Americans have made to the United  
9 States;

10 (3) Honors and recognizes the 103rd anniversary of the arrival of the first Korean  
11 immigrants to the United States; and

12 (4) Proclaims January 13, 2007, as Korean American Day in Georgia.

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
14 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the Korean Association of  
15 Greater Atlanta, the Korean Southeast United States Chamber of Commerce, and the  
16 Federation of Korean Associations South East USA.