By: Senators Pearson of the 51st and Rogers of the 21st

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing Italy Day at the Capitol; and for other purposes.

- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia and the Country of Italy currently have significant and
- 3 mutually beneficial economic ties, including but not limited to the location in this state of a
- 4 number of facilities operated by leading Italian industries; and
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6 WHEREAS, such economic ties provide jobs for Georgians, and it is in the best interest of

7 this state to increase such opportunities through expanded Italian industrial operations,

8 businesses, and investments in this state; and

9 WHEREAS, it is the desire of this body to encourage greater collaborations and exchanges 10 between Georgia and Italy in fields of scientific research, especially those directed at 11 developing new technologies in areas such as nanotechnology, telecommunications, and 12 medicine; and

WHEREAS, it also will be mutually beneficial to foster stronger cultural ties and exchanges between this state and Italy by means such as foreign student exchange programs between institutions of higher learning and efforts of the cities of Atlanta and Florence, Italy, to establish themselves as sister cities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
recognize Italy Day at the Capitol in support of the aforementioned goals.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed

20 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to his Excellency Giovanni Castellaneta,

21 Ambassador of Italy to the United States, and Angela Della Costanza Turner, Honorary

22 Consul of Italy for the State of Georgia.