

House Resolution 619

By: Representatives Levitas of the 82nd, Chambers of the 81st, Jacobs of the 80th, Howard of the 121st, Buckner of the 130th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Urging the Jekyll Island Authority to protect the south end of Jekyll Island from
2 development; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Jekyll Island is home to some of the state's most treasured natural and cultural
4 resources, and it is the expressed intent of this body to ensure the preservation of these
5 resources for the enjoyment of all Georgians now and for future generations to come; and

6 WHEREAS, Jekyll Island proudly displays one of Georgia's largest stretches of barrier
7 island property; and

8 WHEREAS, Jekyll Island is recognized as "Georgia's Jewel," and its remarkable beauties
9 must be preserved so that they may continue to shine for all citizens of Georgia; and

10 WHEREAS, the south end of Jekyll Island contains nesting sites for sea turtles and any
11 destruction of this fragile ecosystem could doom the turtles to extinction; and

12 WHEREAS, the south end of Jekyll Island contains soccer fields that are utilized and
13 enjoyed by hundreds of children and their families; and

14 WHEREAS, the south end of Jekyll Island is home to the Jekyll Island 4-H Center which has
15 been connecting children to Georgia's coastal environment for 25 years and reaches more
16 than 11,000 people each year, using hands-on techniques to engage young minds.

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
18 the members of this body urge the Jekyll Island Authority to protect the nesting sites, the
19 soccer fields, and the 4-H Center on the south end of Jekyll Island from any development so
20 that they may continue to be enjoyed by the average people of Georgia.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
2 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to members of the Jekyll
3 Authority.