

## House Resolution 693

By: Representatives Burns of the 157<sup>th</sup> and Carter of the 159<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending the Effingham County Chamber of Commerce; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, in 2007, the Effingham County Chamber of Commerce celebrates 20 years of  
3 serving Effingham County and the State of Georgia by promoting business, tourism,  
4 economic development, and good will for all citizens; and
- 5 WHEREAS, the Effingham County Chamber of Commerce has provided leadership to  
6 Effingham County and the State of Georgia with its annual "Leadership Effingham Program"  
7 that includes classes on county government, municipal government, education, law and  
8 criminal justice, economic development, taxation, and general information about the county  
9 and state; and
- 10 WHEREAS, the Effingham County Chamber of Commerce sponsors job fairs to facilitate  
11 the meeting of job seekers with employers and provides venues for local businesses and craft  
12 producers at its annual Holiday Classic, a major fund-raising event for 4-H activities; and
- 13 WHEREAS, the Effingham County Chamber of Commerce has increased Effingham  
14 County's state-wide recognition with its annual Effingham Day at the Capitol, where more  
15 than 100 Effingham County citizens invite the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, state  
16 legislators, and other officials to partake of homemade raisin bread, boiled peanuts,  
17 Ratchford's famous sausage, and a variety of other Effingham County delicacies; and
- 18 WHEREAS, the Effingham County Chamber of Commerce is known as the information  
19 center for one of the first and most historic of Georgia's counties, producing Georgia's first  
20 Governor, its first orphanage, its first silk filature, its first grist mill, the oldest continuing  
21 congregation in the oldest church building in this state, and many other historic sites on the  
22 State and National Historic Registry; and

1 WHEREAS, the Effingham County Chamber of Commerce continues to follow the motto,  
2 "do everything called upon to do," offering a number of services to the community such as  
3 organizing ribbon cuttings and open house receptions, honoring new teachers, acting as a  
4 nonpartisan referee for political forums, and providing speakers for local classrooms.

5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
6 the members of this body heartily express their sincerest appreciation to the Effingham  
7 County Chamber of Commerce for its extensive service to the citizens of Georgia and wish  
8 it many more years of continued success as it expands to meet the needs of a growing  
9 community.

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
11 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Effingham County  
12 Chamber of Commerce.