

## House Resolution 883

By: Representatives Hanner of the 148<sup>th</sup>, Day of the 163<sup>rd</sup>, Cole of the 125<sup>th</sup>, and Smith of the 70<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing January 29, 2008, as "Drinking Water Security Day" in the State of Georgia;  
2 and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia is concerned about the health and safety of the people of  
4 Georgia and currently places a high priority on maintaining drinking water security; and

5 WHEREAS, since September 11, 2001, experts including the federal General Accounting  
6 Office, the American Water Works Association, National Rural Water Association, Georgia  
7 Rural Water Association, and the Georgia Association of Chiefs of Police recognize the  
8 extreme high vulnerability to our drinking water systems; and preventing the introduction of  
9 poison agents or toxins into our water by a foreign or domestic terrorist is the immediate  
10 concern of the citizens of the State of Georgia; and

11 WHEREAS, since their inception, the cities and counties of the State of Georgia have  
12 instituted a variety of programs and policies overseeing public health facilities and services,  
13 including water utilities, and providing for the welfare and protection of the citizens in the  
14 state; and

15 WHEREAS, many leading cities and counties have adopted new technologies to protect their  
16 drinking water and it is in the interest of all the citizens of the State of Georgia for all  
17 communities to implement these technologies; and

18 WHEREAS, the attention of the public must be drawn to the concern for drinking water  
19 security and the health and safety of the people of the State of Georgia; and

20 WHEREAS, safe drinking water is vital to Georgia's economic future, and these visionary  
21 cities and counties of Georgia are to be commended for their unfailing devotion to their  
22 citizens, their communities, and this great state.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
2 the members of this body recognize January 29, 2008, as "Drinking Water Security Day" in  
3 the State of Georgia.