

House Resolution 1587

By: Representative Jones of the 44th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the Council on Aging and recognizing March 10, 2010, as District 44 Senior
2 Citizens Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, senior citizens are the state's most rapidly expanding resource with retirees
4 moving to Georgia from every state in the nation, increasing the population of older
5 Georgians by a projected 83 percent by 2020; and

6 WHEREAS, the Council on Aging utilizes advocacy, education, outreach, and training to
7 coordinate aging services in Fulton County allowing seniors, groups, and agencies to support
8 the elder residents in living productive and fulfilling lives; and

9 WHEREAS, the Council serves as a forum for seniors to address issues affecting their
10 communities and provide leadership training and education to seniors interested in improving
11 their lives and the lives of their neighbors; and

12 WHEREAS, seniors in Georgia's House District 44 contribute immeasurably to the state's
13 vitality by capitalizing on their strengths, talents, knowledge, and resources to provide
14 volunteer leadership in their communities, mentor children, enjoy Georgia's natural
15 attractions and leisure opportunities, and participate in Georgia's growing international
16 marketplace; and

17 WHEREAS, the Georgia General Assembly benefits by hearing from older Georgians and
18 their families about their concerns and needs and their suggestions regarding how elected
19 officials can better serve this growing segment of the population; and

20 WHEREAS, in order to positively impact state policy and to improve the future of all
21 Georgians, seniors need to understand and become meaningfully involved in our state's
22 legislative process; and

23 WHEREAS, since 1987, the Council on Aging has organized an annual gathering of senior
24 Georgians conducting special activities referred to as Senior Week at the Capitol to raise
25 public awareness about the needs and contributions of seniors; and

26 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper during this observation of Senior Week at the
27 state capitol to recognize the dedication and important contributions of the Council on Aging
28 and the seniors of House District 44.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
30 the members of this body commend the outstanding senior services provided by the Council
31 on Aging and recognize March 10, 2010, as District 44 Senior Citizens Day at the state
32 capitol.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
34 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Diane Williamson,
35 Executive Director of the Council on Aging.