

Senate Resolution 1291

By: Senators Hooks of the 14th, Hill of the 4th and Williams of the 19th

A RESOLUTION

1 Urging the Office of the Secretary of State and the Board of Regents of the University
2 System of Georgia to work together to explore the future of the Georgia Capitol Museum and
3 the possibility of creating a State Museum of Georgia History; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, Georgia was chartered in 1732 and established in 1733 as one of the original
5 13 American colonies and has a tremendously rich history; and

6 WHEREAS, Georgia is now the ninth most populous state and growing rapidly; and

7 WHEREAS, the story of this great state has not been told in the powerful way it should be,
8 in honor of both our founders and our citizenry; and

9 WHEREAS, we must preserve our heritage and teach young people about the history of their
10 state; and

11 WHEREAS, this state lacks a dedicated, comprehensive museum documenting the great
12 history of Georgia and its people, a proper repository for our most precious historical
13 artifacts; and

14 WHEREAS, a museum should focus on the social, cultural, and political aspects of our long
15 history, from the first native American inhabitants of Georgia to the present day.

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
17 urge the Office of the Secretary of State and the Board of Regents of the University System
18 of Georgia to work together, along with members of the General Assembly, the Office of the
19 Governor, university leaders, corporate leaders, historical societies, and others, to explore the
20 future of the Georgia Capitol Museum and the possibility of creating a State Museum of
21 Georgia History.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
23 to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the Office of the Secretary of State and the
24 Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia.