By: Senators Brown of the 26th and Staton of the 18th

## A RESOLUTION

1 Welcoming citizens and public officials from Macon and Bibb County and observing

2 February 26, 2009, as Macon Day in Atlanta; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, public officials and citizens from Macon and Bibb County annually come to the

4 General Assembly to meet with the area's legislative delegation. A healthy democracy

5 demands an active interchange of ideas between citizens and their elected representatives;

6 and

7 WHEREAS, the views of elected officials from the counties and cities of the state are always

8 deeply interesting to members of the General Assembly, and the citizens and public officials

9 from Macon and Bibb County frequently offer invaluable advice and counsel to their

10 legislative delegation on the annual legislative visit; and

11 WHEREAS, the officials and citizens from Macon and Bibb County have outstanding

12 leadership in Mayor Robert Reichert and Samuel F. Hart, Sr., Chairman of the Board of

13 Commissioners of Bibb County; and

14 WHEREAS, the legislative delegation from Macon and Bibb County annually awaits the

15 citizens and local officials' delegation from Macon and Bibb County with eager anticipation

- 16 because of its invaluable advice and counsel; and
- 17 WHEREAS, the legislative delegation then looks forward to returning home to see the annual

18 blooming of the Yoshino cherry trees in Macon and Bibb County, a beautiful sight that

19 signals the arrival of spring in the State of Georgia; and

20 WHEREAS, the Cherry Blossom Festival is sponsored each year by the Keep Macon-Bibb

21 Beautiful Commission as a special celebration of the spring season, and throughout the year

the citizens of Macon and Bibb County and the State of Georgia look forward to this period

and to the enjoyment of the many festivities planned; and

- 24 WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this body recognize this excellent tradition and express its
- 25 appreciation of the many contributions made to the State of Georgia by the annual Cherry
- 26 Blossom Festival.
- 27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 28 welcome the citizens and public officials from Macon and Bibb County, observing February
- 29 26, 2009, as Macon Day in Atlanta, and recognize the 2009 Cherry Blossom Festival.
- 30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 31 to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to Honorable Robert Reichert and Honorable
- 32 Samuel F. Hart, Sr.