## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing Georgia's Visitor Information Centers Program; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, the first Visitor Information Center in Georgia opened in Sylvania on January
3 20, 1962; and

4 WHEREAS, Visitor Information Centers have grown in popularity throughout Georgia, with

5 11 now located throughout the state in Lavonia, Ringgold, Kingsland, Tallapoosa, Augusta,

6 Savannah, West Point, Plains, Sylvania, Columbus, and Valdosta; and

7 WHEREAS, the goal of the Visitor Information Center Program is to provide travel8 information and assistance in a courteous, hospitable, and friendly manner; and

9 WHEREAS, in 2008, Georgia's Visitor Information Centers assisted 11,535,324 visitors,

10 making over 29,000 room reservations on their behalf, which generated over \$2 million in

11 revenue; and

WHEREAS, each individual who enters a Georgia Visitor Information Center is greeted witha smile and an offer of help; and

WHEREAS, the dedicated staff of employees at each Visitor Information Center providesquality and efficient service, serving as ambassadors on behalf of the State of Georgia; and

16 WHEREAS, the commitment to service and quality information and assistance provided by

17 each Georgia Visitor Information Center is worthy of appropriate recognition.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body

19 commend Georgia's Visitor Information Centers Program for over four decades of quality,

20 efficient, and helpful service to residents and visitors of Georgia.

- 21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 22 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Visitor Information Centers Program.