By: Senators Wiles of the 37th, Grant of the 25th, Hill of the 32nd, Thompson of the 33rd, Seabaugh of the 28th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the Building Owners and Managers Association-Atlanta and declaring February

2 22, 2010, as BOMA Day at the Capitol; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, founded in 1913, the Building Owners and Managers Association-Atlanta

4 (BOMA-Atlanta) is a trade association representing the commercial real estate industry in

5 the metropolitan Atlanta area; and

6 WHEREAS, commercial real estate is directly responsible for well over \$135 million in
7 annual tax revenues to the City of Atlanta and four counties in the metropolitan area; and

8 WHEREAS, BOMA-Atlanta members are responsible for the ownership, management, and 9 administration of more than 150 million square feet of office space, as well as millions more 10 square feet of facilities throughout the metro Atlanta area, and they have 24-hour 11 responsibility for the safety, physical well-being, and security of employees working in these 12 facilities; and

WHEREAS, BOMA-Atlanta members actively participate with Building Owners and Managers Association's international association in the development of the international model codes for energy conservation, indoor air quality, elevator safety, and other health and life safety issues; and

WHEREAS, Building Owners and Managers Association International, which was founded
in 1907, produces the annual *Experience Exchange Report* survey of operating expenses,
which has set the standard for the industry; and

WHEREAS, the Building Owners and Managers Association's method of square footagefloor measurement is also the standard for the commercial property industry; and

- 22 WHEREAS, with more than 1,000 members, BOMA-Atlanta represents building ownership,
- 23 professional property and facility management organizations, professional service providers
- 24 and contract services, including construction, cleaning services, security services, elevator
- 25 maintenance, and many other specialty services; and
- 26 WHEREAS, BOMA-Atlanta provides education leading to three designation programs for
- 27 industry professionals, the RPM, SMA, and SMT, and in addition to these courses, offers
- 28 numerous seminars and workshops that keep members fully informed on industry issues; and
- 29 WHEREAS, BOMA-Atlanta also administers its much anticipated "The Office Building of
- 30 the Year" (TOBY) awards program each year; and
- WHEREAS, BOMA-Atlanta will be visiting the Capitol on February 22, 2010, to share
 valuable insights and industry expertise with members of the General Assembly.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
 recognize the many contributions of the Building Owners and Managers Association-Atlanta
 and declare February 22, 2010, as BOMA Day at the Capitol.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Building Owners and Managers
 Accepting Atlanta
- 38 Association-Atlanta.