

House Resolution 204

By: Representatives Bearden of the 68th and Powell of the 171st

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Emergency Management Agencies of Georgia and observing Emergency
2 Management Agency (EMA) Recognition Day; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, through a coordinated, state-wide network, emergency management services
4 professionals of Georgia respond quickly, providing lifesaving services during the most
5 hazardous conditions facing Georgians; and

6 WHEREAS, both the Georgia Emergency Management Agency (GEMA) and local
7 emergency management agencies are ready to provide outstanding emergency assistance 24
8 hours a day, seven days a week for those residents of Georgia most in need; and

9 WHEREAS, these thousands of professionals perform their lifesaving duties through a
10 complex coordinated network of emergency management responders, first responders, law
11 enforcement officials, as well as government agencies to provide one of the greatest, most
12 comprehensive, quality emergency response efforts in the world; and

13 WHEREAS, the goal of each and every one of these individuals and services is to be ready
14 to respond regardless of the nature of the emergency event, whether it be a tornado,
15 hurricane, forest fire, or terrorist attack; and

16 WHEREAS, response readiness is achieved through a variety of critical actions, including
17 state-wide and local preparedness training, weather watches and alerts, operational
18 emergency drills, efficient and effective delivery plans, predetermined emergency plans for
19 transportation of injured and potential victims, emergency system development activities,
20 public information and education, improvement of response methods, and other activities
21 related to the health and well-being of the citizens of the State of Georgia; and

22 WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that GEMA and local emergency management agencies
23 be recognized for their outstanding and courageous service to the people of this state by
24 declaring February 17, 2011, Emergency Management Agency Recognition Day.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
26 each director, coordinator, manager, and staff member of an emergency management agency
27 in Georgia is commended for his or her outstanding service to the people of this state, and
28 Emergency Management Agency Recognition Day is observed in honor of these lifesaving
29 professionals.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
31 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Georgia Emergency
32 Management Agency and the Georgia Emergency Management Association.