

## House Resolution 1281

By: Representatives Smyre of the 132<sup>nd</sup>, Hugley of the 133<sup>rd</sup>, Smith of the 131<sup>st</sup>, Buckner of the 130<sup>th</sup>, and Smith of the 129<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing February 7, 2012, as Columbus Day at the state capitol and inviting Mayor  
2 Teresa Tomlinson, Mr. Mike Gaymon, Mr. Jay Alexander, Mr. Isaiah Hugley, Ms. Cathy  
3 Williams, and Dr. Susan Andrews to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for  
4 other purposes.

5 WHEREAS, the Columbus region of Georgia is known for its fantastic visitor attractions,  
6 expansive economic growth and development, and beautiful natural landscapes; and

7 WHEREAS, the region is known for its public and private partnerships that have generated  
8 success for the area with projects such as the RiverCenter for the Performing Arts and the  
9 Valley Partnership Joint Development Authority; and

10 WHEREAS, for nearly 15 years, the Greater Columbus Chamber of Commerce has  
11 journeyed to larger cities around the country to learn how to improve the Columbus area and  
12 identify what steps can be taken to foster growth and development; and

13 WHEREAS, Columbus is home to numerous national and international institutions, including  
14 Aflac, Carmike Cinemas, NCR, Fort Benning, Synovus, TSYS, and the W.C. Bradley  
15 Company; and

16 WHEREAS, Columbus features exciting attractions such as the 15 mile Riverwalk, the  
17 RiverCenter for the Performing Arts, the Columbus Convention and Trade Center, the  
18 Columbus Civic Center and Skating Rink, the South Commons softball complex, historic  
19 Golden Park, a skateboard park, the Columbus Museum, the Springer Opera House, and the  
20 Liberty Theater; and

21 WHEREAS, the citizens of the Greater Columbus region are justly proud of their  
22 community, its past, and its many contributions to this state, and it is only proper to  
23 recognize February 7, 2012, as Columbus Day at the state capitol.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
25 the members of this body recognize February 7, 2012, as Columbus Day at the state capitol,  
26 congratulate the Greater Columbus region on its many outstanding accomplishments, and  
27 invite Mayor Teresa Tomlinson, Mr. Mike Gaymon, Mr. Jay Alexander, Mr. Isaiah Hugley,  
28 Ms. Cathy Williams, and Dr. Susan Andrews to be recognized by the House of  
29 Representatives at a date and time to be determined by the Speaker of the House of  
30 Representatives.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
32 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Greater Columbus  
33 Chamber of Commerce.