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Senate Resolution 1124

By: Senators Carter of the 1st and Jackson of the 2nd

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending the members of the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee on
- 2 the upcoming occasion of the 2012 St. Patrick's Day Parade in Savannah, Georgia; and for
- 3 other purposes.
- 4 WHEREAS, the 2012 St. Patrick's Day Parade in Savannah, Georgia, will mark the 188th
- 5 occasion on which this festive event has been held in this beautiful historic city with proud
- 6 Irish roots; and
- 7 WHEREAS, this celebration was begun in 1824 by the Hibernian Society of Savannah,
- 8 which was formed to aid the early Irish immigrants to Georgia; and
- 9 WHEREAS, many Irish organizations have contributed to the longevity and success of this
- 10 celebration, and the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee, which was formed in 1926, has
- 11 carried on the tradition for the past 86 years; and
- 12 WHEREAS, according to one of Ireland's former Prime Ministers, "Ireland is where strange
- 13 tales begin and happy endings are possible," and the same holds true for the enchanting City
- 14 of Savannah; and
- 15 WHEREAS, it is due to the hard work and selfless dedication of the members of the St.
- 16 Patrick's Day Parade Committee that this event has become a popular celebration and that
- 17 Georgia can be proud to welcome visitors from all over the nation and the world to this
- 18 successful annual tradition; and
- 19 WHEREAS, among the largest Irish celebrations in the nation, the St. Patrick's Day Parade
- 20 is held in the lovely Savannah historic district and is always a joyous and meaningful
- 21 occasion for the citizens of Chatham County and the State of Georgia.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that this body recognizes and

- 23 commends the members of the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee for their tireless efforts
- 24 and great work in organizing the 2012 St. Patrick's Day Parade and for their many important
- 25 contributions to their community and state.
- 26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 27 to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee
- 28 chairman and the grand marshal of Savannah's 2012 St. Patrick's Day Parade.