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Senate Resolution 1137

By: Senator James of the 35th

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending the Vice President of the Republic of Liberia, His Excellency
- 2 Joseph N. Boakai; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, the Vice President of the Republic of Liberia, His Excellency Joseph N. Boakai
- 4 will be presented with a proclamation at the 2012 Liberian-United States Business Summit
- 5 on March 30, 2012, in the Robert W. Woodruff Library at the Atlanta University Center and
- 6 co-hosted by Clark Atlanta University; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Liberia imports from the United States have grown by 346 percent and exports
- 8 have grown 291 percent since 2008; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Chevron has committed to a \$1.6 billion investment in oil production and
- 10 through USAID, the federal government will provide approximately \$218 million in foreign
- 11 assistance during the next fiscal year; and
- 12 WHEREAS, with the assistance of His Excellency Joseph N. Boakai, the government of
- 13 Liberia is committed to building a vibrant middle class by 2030 and intends to introduce its
- 14 partners to the wealth of business opportunities that Liberia has to offer; and
- 15 WHEREAS, His Excellency Joseph N. Boakai hopes to promote political and strategic
- 16 cooperation between the United States and the Republic of Liberia, furthering opportunities
- 17 to grow economic and commercial partnerships; and
- 18 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of
- 19 this distinguished gentleman be appropriately recognized.
- 20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 21 recognize the special friendship between Georgia and the Republic of Liberia and commend

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22 the Vice President of the Republic of Liberia, His Excellency Joseph N. Boakai for his

- 23 efforts to promote economic and commercial partnerships between the two nations.
- 24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 25 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Vice President of the Republic of
- 26 Liberia, His Excellency Joseph N. Boakai.