

House Resolution 1799

By: Representatives Maxwell of the 17th, Braddock of the 19th, Rice of the 51st, Hill of the 21st, Hamilton of the 23rd, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District; and
2 for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the 15 counties, 91 cities, and 56 water systems in the Metropolitan North
4 Georgia Water Planning District (Metro Water District) have worked diligently over the past
5 decade to make metropolitan Atlanta one of the most water efficient regions in the nation;
6 and

7 WHEREAS, water users in the Metro Water District have reduced their per capita water
8 consumption by 14 percent since 2001; and

9 WHEREAS, the Metro Water District per capita water consumption is less than Charlotte,
10 Birmingham, Tallahassee, Chattanooga, and Orlando; and

11 WHEREAS, ten years ago, tiered water conservation pricing, "the more you use the more you
12 pay per gallon," was rare; and

13 WHEREAS, today 99 percent of the Metro Water District's population is served by water
14 systems that have tiered water conservation rates; and

15 WHEREAS, a total of 38 jurisdictions offer toilet replacement rebates that have helped
16 replace over 71,000 old and inefficient toilets; and

17 WHEREAS, the Metro Water District's water systems repaired over 15,000 leaks last year;
18 and

19 WHEREAS, partnering with the Building Owners and Managers Association, the Metro
20 Water District has provided technical assistance to commercial water users in how to conduct

21 water audits for both general commercial properties and hotels and making cooling towers
22 more efficient; and

23 WHEREAS, partnering with Georgia Power, the Metro Water District offers the
24 GreenPlumbers Training Program to help customers make more informed decisions to
25 improve water and energy efficiency in their homes and businesses; and

26 WHEREAS, the Metro Water District is implementing a comprehensive water conservation
27 program that is required and enforced; and

28 WHEREAS, over 90 percent of the waste-water utilities in the Metro Water District have
29 developed a sanitary sewer system inspection and maintenance program for determining the
30 condition of the system and identifying any needed maintenance and rehabilitation needs;
31 and

32 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the accomplishments of the Metro Water
33 District be appropriately recognized.

34 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
35 the members of this body commend the residents and businesses within the Metropolitan
36 North Georgia Water Planning District for their decade long commitment to water
37 conservation and their good stewardship of Georgia's water resources and encourage the
38 Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District to continue its efforts to improve water
39 conservation.

40 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
41 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Metropolitan North
42 Georgia Water Planning District.