

## Senate Resolution 1159

By: Senators James of the 35th, Jones of the 10th and Harbison of the 15th

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the month of June, 2012, as National Men's Health Month at the capitol; and  
2 for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, despite advances in medical technology and research, men continue to live an  
4 average of almost 6 years less than women, with African American men having the lowest  
5 life expectancy; and

6 WHEREAS, educating the public and health care providers about the importance of healthy  
7 lifestyles and early detection of male health problems will result in reducing the rates of  
8 mortality from disease; and

9 WHEREAS, men who are educated about the value that prevention health can play in  
10 prolonging their lifespans and their roles as productive family members will be more likely  
11 to participate in health screenings; and

12 WHEREAS, National Men's Health Month will focus on a broad range of men's health  
13 issues, including heart disease, diabetes, prostate health, HIV/AIDS, obesity, cancer, mental  
14 health, and social and individual responsibility; and

15 WHEREAS, male serving organizations, such as Comprehensive Men's Health Initiative,  
16 Men's Health and Wellness Center, Real Men Cook, the Down and Dirty "Know Your  
17 Numbers" Rodeo, and Community Health and Men's Promotion Summit have committed to  
18 providing health education, screening, and support for the men and boys of Georgia.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
20 encourage all males to take the time to participate in prevention screenings for the sake of  
21 their individual health and for the well-being of Georgia families and recognize the month  
22 of June, 2012, as National Men's Health Month at the capitol.

- 23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
24 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the public and the press.