

Senate Resolution 1283

By: Senators James of the 35th and Hamrick of the 30th

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing March 27, 2012, as District 35 Legislative Day at the capitol; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, on March 27, 2012, elected officials from the state, county, and municipal  
4 levels, along with the constituents they serve, will come together to declare and celebrate the  
5 success and unique appeal of South Fulton and Douglas Counties of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, District 35, which includes sections of unincorporated Fulton County and  
7 Douglas County and the cities of Southwest Atlanta, College Park, Union City, East Point,  
8 Hapeville, Palmetto, Chattahoochee Hills, and Fairburn, is a vibrant, beautiful community  
9 that is rich in natural resources and competitive business advantages; and

10 WHEREAS, the progressive governments of South Fulton County, Douglas County, and  
11 Lithia Springs provide positive environments for business growth through efficient services  
12 and effective collaboration with developers to create new employment opportunities; and

13 WHEREAS, the 35th Senate District is also benefiting greatly from the efforts of the Kroger  
14 Company, amphitheater, Publix, Camp Creek Market, and Old National Wal-Mart which are  
15 having an invigorating impact on the local economy and are reflective of the revitalized spirit  
16 of the community; and

17 WHEREAS, District 35 is the culmination of multimodal transportation: the home of  
18 Hartsfield International Airport and the hub for two of the nation's largest railroads, the area  
19 is networked to the compass by four interstate highways and contains the southernmost  
20 terminus of MARTA's commuter rapid rail; and

21 WHEREAS, with more than 5,000 hotel rooms and bountiful exhibit and meeting spaces,  
22 including the Georgia International Convention Center, South Fulton County is a powerful  
23 contributor to serving metro Atlanta's vital convention and hospitality industries; and

24 WHEREAS, District 35 has more than 1,000 manufacturing and distribution firms and the  
25 largest contiguous industrial park in the eastern United States; and

26 WHEREAS, proposed development of the District 35 area along South Fulton Parkway and  
27 Douglas City Highway 92, including plans to build upscale residential housing and golf  
28 courses, is indicative of the exciting growth and progress of the district's immense potential  
29 for further development; and

30 WHEREAS, District 35 legislators, commissioners, mayors, and citizens are committed to  
31 working together to continuously improve the quality of life in communities. They have  
32 successfully established such initiatives as the Educational Wrap-around Collaborative,  
33 which includes Parent University, Red Carpet Schools, and the South Fulton Incubator  
34 Project; and

35 WHEREAS, with abundant resources and the commitment from all sectors of the community  
36 to continue to work cooperatively for quality economic development, the future of District  
37 35 has never looked more promising; and

38 WHEREAS, the 2012 District 35 Legislative Day is dedicated to the purpose of recognizing  
39 and celebrating the vibrancy and commitment to the community of the residents of South  
40 Fulton County and Douglas County.

41 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
42 recognize March 27, 2012, as District 35 Legislative Day at the capitol and heartily welcome  
43 to the capitol the esteemed leaders and residents of District 35.

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