

Senate Resolution 223

By: Senators Jones of the 10th and Jeffares of the 17th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing February 13, 2013, as Henry County Day at the state capitol; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, founded in 1821 and named after Patrick Henry, the 324 mile area of Henry
4 County is home to an estimated 180,000 Georgians living in major cities such as
5 McDonough, Stockbridge, Locust Grove, and Hampton; and

6 WHEREAS, the county seat of Henry County is McDonough, a city named after
7 Commodore Thomas MacDonough; and

8 WHEREAS, Henry County is home to McDonough's Brown House, which was built in 1826
9 as the home for Andrew McBride, a Revolutionary War veteran from South Carolina, was
10 expanded in 1874 to serve as the Brown House Hotel, and currently houses the Henry County
11 Historical Society; and

12 WHEREAS, McDonough is also the site of such historic gems as the 1897 Romanesque style
13 courthouse and the Shingleroof Methodist Campground, which was used as a training ground
14 for Confederate soldiers during the Civil War; and

15 WHEREAS, Henry County attracts sports fans from around the state and country each year
16 with events like the Chick-Fil-A Charity Golf Classic and two major NASCAR events at
17 Atlanta Motor Speedway; and

18 WHEREAS, located just east of Stockbridge, the 537 acre Panola Mountain State
19 Conservation Park surrounds a million-year-old monadnock; and

20 WHEREAS, many festivals are held throughout the year in Henry County, including the Old
21 Stockbridge Days Festival, the Fairview Fall Festival, Old Locust Grove Days, the Geranium
22 Festival, and the Henry County Fair; and

23 WHEREAS, a county that supports great economic growth for this state and has such rich
24 history and traditions is worthy of recognition by this body.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
26 recognize the great achievements of Henry County and its citizens and recognize February
27 13, 2013, as Henry County Day at the state capitol.

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