

## Senate Resolution 292

By: Senators Ligon, Jr. of the 3rd and James of the 35th

## A RESOLUTION

1 Requesting the support of Spaceport Georgia and the City of St. Marys and various other  
2 agencies' due diligence to confirm Spaceport Georgia viability and to defer Site One  
3 relocation efforts; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, a combined general aviation airport and spaceport, Spaceport Georgia, at the  
5 old Union Carbide site at the end of Harriet's Bluff Road in Camden County, Georgia, has  
6 been proposed, and the Camden County Joint Development Authority has started discovery  
7 and due diligence; and

8 WHEREAS, Spaceport Georgia has the potential to bring considerable economic activity,  
9 technical related employment, and significant development to the State of Georgia, Camden  
10 County, St. Marys, Kingsland, and Woodbine; and

11 WHEREAS, the desirability to relocate the St. Marys Airport has been proposed for more  
12 than a decade to enhance the safety and security of the Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay as  
13 requested and documented by the United States Navy multiple times; and

14 WHEREAS, the combined general aviation airport and spaceport may allow for a full Level  
15 II commercial/general aviation airport not achievable at the current airport location and may  
16 be the primary component of an aerospace horizontal launch runway facility; and

17 WHEREAS, the relocation of the St. Marys Airport to the currently proposed location  
18 adjacent to Woodbine, designated as Site One, must be comprehensively compared to the  
19 proposed Harriet's Bluff location to determine possible advantages supporting a full Level  
20 II commercial/general aviation airport and commercialization of space flight; and

21 WHEREAS, the funds to relocate the St. Marys Airport to the Woodbine site may be better  
22 utilized in conjunction with the proposed combined airport and spaceport; and

23 WHEREAS, congressional and state leaders have shown great interest in the potential of  
24 Spaceport Georgia.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
26 (1) request that the Federal Aviation Administration be formally notified and advised that,  
27 due to the emerging spaceport opportunity, the current Woodbine airport relocation site be  
28 deferred and needed studies be expedited and funded to confirm the viability of Spaceport  
29 Georgia, and if confirmed, funds to relocate the St. Marys Airport to the Woodbine site be  
30 redirected to the proposed airport and spaceport site on Harriet's Bluff Road; and (2) support  
31 and join the FAA, Georgia Department of Transportation, the State of Georgia, Camden  
32 County, and the Camden County Joint Development Authority to study and validate the  
33 proposed combined airport/spaceport, Spaceport Georgia.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
35 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Federal Aviation Administration and  
36 Georgia Department of Transportation.