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House Resolution 1178

By: Representatives McCall of the 33<sup>rd</sup>, Roberts of the 155<sup>th</sup>, Jasperse of the 11<sup>th</sup>, Bentley of the 139<sup>th</sup>, Dickey of the 140<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing February 11, 2014, as Georgia Farm Bureau Federation Day at the state capitol;
- 2 and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, the Georgia Farm Bureau Federation was formed in 1937 as a voice for
- 4 production agriculture in legislative affairs; and
- 5 WHEREAS, from its humble beginnings in Northwest Georgia, the Georgia Farm Bureau
- 6 Federation has grown to 159 county chapters led by volunteer farmer members, with current
- 7 membership at 314,575; and
- 8 WHEREAS, this outstanding federation of Georgia farmers has become a diversified
- 9 organization which focuses on service to its members and the improvement of Georgia
- 10 agriculture; and
- 11 WHEREAS, the Georgia Farm Bureau Federation now operates companies which provide
- 12 service to its members in areas ranging from insurance, to advocacy, to farm record
- 13 management services; and
- 14 WHEREAS, the House Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Affairs has long
- 15 recognized the Georgia Farm Bureau Federation, under the dedicated leadership of its
- 16 president, Mr. Vincent "Zippy" Duvall, as an exemplary voice of Georgia agriculture; and
- 17 WHEREAS, the General Assembly will observe February 11, 2014, as Georgia Farm Bureau
- 18 Federation Day at the capitol.
- 19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 20 the members of this body recognize and commend the Georgia Farm Bureau Federation and
- 21 its members for their many years of dedicated service to Georgia agriculture and their
- 22 exceptional assistance to the members of the House of Representatives.

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23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized

24 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Georgia Farm Bureau

25 Federation.