

Senate Resolution 843

By: Senators Hill of the 4th, Staton of the 18th, Carter of the 1st, Williams of the 19th, Hufstetler of the 52nd and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Georgia Southern University and recognizing February 6, 2014, as Georgia
2 Southern Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Georgia Southern University, a Carnegie Doctoral-Research University, has
4 advanced the educational and economic aspirations of Georgians for more than 100 years as
5 a unit of the University System of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, Georgia Southern University has over 20,000 students, more than 2,000 faculty
7 and staff, and more than 100 programs of study offered at the bachelor's, master's, and
8 doctoral levels; and

9 WHEREAS, Georgia Southern University's Jiann-Ping Hsu College of Public Health was
10 fully accredited by the Council on Education for Public Health in 2011 and has been awarded
11 in excess of \$400,000 in grant money for cervical cancer initiatives by the National Institutes
12 of Health; and

13 WHEREAS, the university's Rural Health Research Institute was designated as a Center of
14 Excellence for the Elimination of Rural Health Disparities in 2012 by the National Institutes
15 of Health and has been awarded grants in excess of \$5.1 million; and

16 WHEREAS, the university's Master of Science in Nursing-Family Nurse Practitioner
17 program has been ranked in the top 20 nationally by *U.S. and World News Report*; and

18 WHEREAS, Georgia Southern University's Allen E. Paulson College of Engineering and
19 Information Technology provides research services to a variety of state and private
20 companies in the State of Georgia, including the Georgia Department of Transportation; and

21 WHEREAS, the university's online education programs have been ranked among the 2014
22 Best Online Programs by *U.S. News and World Report*; and

23 WHEREAS, Georgia Southern University's College of Business Administration has been
24 named one of the best schools in the country by *The Princeton Review* and as one of the best
25 business schools for United States veterans by *Military Times*; and

26 WHEREAS, the university's ROTC program is a consistent winner of the prestigious
27 MacArthur Award, which is presented to the top eight ROTC programs in the country; and

28 WHEREAS, the university was presented the 2013 Emmy Award for Best Live Audio for
29 a video-streaming production by the university's symphony; and

30 WHEREAS, Georgia Southern University's Department of Communication Arts was
31 awarded a collegiate Southeastern Regional Emmy for its production of Inside Georgia
32 Southern Football's coverage of the Georgia Southern University versus the University of
33 Alabama football game.

34 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
35 commend Georgia Southern University on its many accomplishments and accolades and
36 recognize February 6, 2014, as Georgia Southern Day at the state capitol.

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
38 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Georgia Southern University.