A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing February 13, 2014, as Savannah State University Day at the state capitol; and

2 for other purposes.

WHEREAS, Savannah State University is the oldest historically black public college or
university in the State of Georgia and the oldest institution of higher learning in the City of
Savannah; and

6 WHEREAS, with an enrollment of 4,772, Savannah State University was one of 13

7 University System of Georgia institutions that recorded an enrollment increase in the fall of

8 2013 and one of four that reflected an increase at or above 5 percent; and

9 WHEREAS, Savannah State University offers 27 undergraduate degree majors and five

10 graduate degree programs in four colleges: Business Administration, Liberal Arts and Social

11 Sciences, Sciences and Technology, and the School of Teacher Education; and

12 WHEREAS, Savannah State University has a rich history of preparing graduates for national

13 service through its Naval and Army ROTC programs; and

WHEREAS, an annual study of the economic impacts of University System of Georgia
institutions proved that Savannah State University continues to be a major force in the local
economy, pumping approximately \$148 million into the Savannah metropolitan area during
fiscal year 2012; and

WHEREAS, since its founding in 1890, Savannah State University has transformed the livesof generations of students, producing graduates who have made significant contributions in

20 Savannah, throughout the State of Georgia, across the nation, and abroad.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
recognize February 13, 2014, as Savannah State University at the state capitol.

- 23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 24 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution Savannah State University.