

Senate Resolution 1219

By: Senator Heath of the 31st

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Celebrating the 100th anniversary of the City of Aragon; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the Aragon Mill, one of the original industrial enterprises of Polk County, was
3 built in 1898 by Wolcott and Campbell of New York Mills; and
- 4 WHEREAS, at a time when few factories reared their smokestacks to southern skies, the
5 Aragon Mill manufactured several weights of high grade duck and promoted a vibrant
6 Aragon community; and
- 7 WHEREAS, the Aragon Mill led to a community called Aragon, which consisted of two
8 churches, various fraternal orders, and various collective amenities, such as a pool of spring
9 water for swimming and a baseball team; and
- 10 WHEREAS, the City of Aragon was founded there in 1899 in the eastern part of Polk
11 County, and has been called one of the beauty spots of the state; and
- 12 WHEREAS, the Aragon Mill helped maintain the city school for the community, funding six
13 months of the nine month school year and employing ten teachers to educate the 400 students
14 in the school in the early 20th century; and
- 15 WHEREAS, the City of Aragon stays technologically advanced, including implementing a
16 public water system through the Georgia State Board of Health and electricity for the mill
17 and for lighting through Georgia Power Company by 1929; and
- 18 WHEREAS, the Centennial Celebration of the City of Aragon, formally incorporated in
19 1914, embodies the city's motto, "A Proud Past With A Promising Future," and is worthy of
20 recognition.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
22 offer hearty congratulations to the City of Aragon on its 100th anniversary and extend to the
23 citizens of Aragon their sincerest wishes that their next one hundred years are prosperous and
24 successful.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
26 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Ken Suffridge, Mayor of the City of
27 Aragon.