## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and congratulating Ben Johnson, Jennifer Johnson, Shelley Sweet, and Todd

2 Ginsberg on being named Georgia's Restaurateurs of the Year; and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, the Georgia Restaurant Association named Ben and Jennifer Johnson and
Shelley Sweet of West Egg Cafe, The General Muir, Fred's Meat & Bread, and Yalla, in
addition to Todd Ginsberg of The General Muir, Fred's Meat & Bread, and Yalla as Georgia's
Restaurateurs of the Year at their annual Crystal of Excellence Awards Gala; and

WHEREAS, Ben Johnson, a native of Georgia, and Jennifer Johnson, a native of
Washington, D.C., practiced law in Atlanta before opening West Egg Cafe in March, 2004;
and

- 10 WHEREAS, Ben and Jennifer Johnson and Shelley Sweet of West Egg Cafe partnered with
- 11 Todd Ginsberg to open The General Muir, Fred's Meat & Bread, and Yalla; and
- 12 WHEREAS, The General Muir has received many accolades, and Todd Ginsberg was named
- 13 a 2014 James Beard Foundation semifinalist for Best Chef: Southeast; and
- WHEREAS, Ben and Jennifer Johnson, Shelley Sweet, and Todd Ginsberg have been
  recognized for their culinary vision of blending and modernizing classic, traditional foods
  and providing a comfortable atmosphere for all who come; and
- WHEREAS, they are well known throughout Atlanta not only for their restaurants, but also for their involvement with the Atlanta Community Food Bank, a non-profit dedicated to helping provide groceries and feed families and individuals in Metro Atlanta and North Georgia; and
- WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments and
  volunteer efforts of these distinguished Georgians be appropriately recognized.

- 23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 24 commend Ben and Jennifer Johnson, Shelley Sweet, and Todd Ginsberg on their diligence
- 25 in striving towards perfection, their commitment to selflessness, and on being named
- 26 Restaurateurs of the Year.
- 27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 28 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the above-named
- 29 individuals.