

House Resolution 204

By: Representatives Peake of the 141st, Pezold of the 133rd, Hatchett of the 150th, and Kaiser of the 59th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the restaurant industry of Georgia and recognizing February 18, 2015, as State
2 Restaurant Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the restaurant industry plays a vital role in Georgia's economic prosperity and
4 the quality of life of all Georgians; and

5 WHEREAS, Georgia's restaurant industry is composed of over 16,500 food and drink
6 establishments, generates more than \$16.5 billion annually, and provides over 405,800 jobs
7 state wide; and

8 WHEREAS, more than 20 national restaurant industry brands are headquartered in Georgia;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, the Georgia Restaurant Association is dedicated to providing a voice in
11 advocacy, education, and awareness for the restaurant industry throughout this state to
12 express to residents and visitors the great value, quality, and services provided by local food
13 establishments; and

14 WHEREAS, the Georgia Restaurant Association works with state and local agencies to
15 promote food safety and job skills through the ServSafe and ProStart educational programs
16 and the industry mentoring of young professionals; and

17 WHEREAS, 50 percent of all adults in Georgia have worked in the restaurant industry,
18 providing them with job skills that serve as a launching point for careers; and

19 WHEREAS, the contributions and efforts of the professionals working in the restaurant
20 industry to provide the highest quality food and drinks in Georgia, to promote small business,
21 and to contribute billions of dollars to local and state tax revenue to stimulate economic
22 growth are worthy of recognition.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
24 the members of this body commend the dedication of the restaurant industry, applaud its
25 service as critical to the economic vitality of the State of Georgia, and recognize February
26 18, 2015, as State Restaurant Day at the state capitol.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
28 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
29 Georgia Restaurant Association.