

Senate Resolution 547

By: Senators James of the 35th, Ramsey, Sr. of the 43rd, Orrock of the 36th, Parent of the 42nd, Davenport of the 44th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing April 2, 2015, as the sixth annual Environmental Day in the State of Georgia
2 and commending the Moving from Green to Zero Campaign for its efforts to create clean
3 land, clean air, and clean water for a sustainable Georgia; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, on April 2, 2015, activists and participants of the Green to Zero Waste
5 movement, Voices of Human Trafficking Awareness, and the constituents of District 35 will
6 be recognized and honored for protecting and preserving Georgia's natural resources and
7 citizens; and

8 WHEREAS, this annual event was designed to educate and inspire Georgians to enact
9 lifestyle changes through programs, workshops for community awareness, responsibility, and
10 participation in recycling, reducing, re-engineering, and repurposing; and

11 WHEREAS, since 2010, such campaigns as "Going the Green Mile," "Get Your Hands
12 Green," and "Go Green NOW!" have been introduced to support the Zero Waste by 2020
13 initiatives that were established in 1995; and

14 WHEREAS, alternative water and solar solutions, such as rainwater recapture, affordable
15 solar power for houses, and greenhouses for organically grown produce and flowers, play a
16 vital role in supporting the Earth's ecosystems and protecting, preserving, and restoring the
17 natural environment; and

18 WHEREAS, this state's water, streams, fish, and wildlife will be protected from toxic waste,
19 pesticides, and pollutants if clean water is achieved; and

20 WHEREAS, clean air can be achieved by the reduction of transportation by car, truck, ship,
21 airplane, and other CO2 emitting vehicles and by the use of alternative fuels such as
22 electricity, biofuels, and propane gas; and

23 WHEREAS, every day, valuable resources can be diverted from landfills into economically
24 viable jobs in the State of Georgia, and Environmental Day seeks to honor these
25 eco-conscious businesses and organizations that strive to reduce their carbon footprints while
26 boosting the state's economy.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
28 recognize April 2, 2015, as the sixth annual Environmental Day in the State of Georgia and
29 commend the Moving from Green to Zero Campaign for its efforts to achieve zero waste by
30 2020.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
32 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to Zero Waste
33 headquarters.