

Senate Resolution 687

By: Senator Burke of the 11th

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing Thomasville, Georgia, as "Georgia's Rose City"; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Thomasville has long been known as the City of Roses due to the City Fathers'  
3 love of the outdoors and the Thomasville Garden Club; and

4 WHEREAS, the city proudly hosts over 1500 rose bushes in its own Rose Garden, situated  
5 on five acres on the banks of Cherokee Lake Park, and provides fragrance and astounding  
6 beauty for thousands of visitors each year; and

7 WHEREAS, the ladies of the Thomasville Garden Club won first prize at the 1920 State Fair  
8 and used the prize money for the inaugural Rose Show in 1921; and

9 WHEREAS, the Rose Show is one of the most outstanding flower shows in the country and  
10 has evolved into a three-day festival featuring rose and flower shows and a children's rosebud  
11 parade, Rose Festival parade, downtown street dance, car show, Rose City golf tournament,  
12 and an arts and craft show; and

13 WHEREAS, Thomasville's nationally renowned roses have twice been sent to, displayed, and  
14 discussed on NBC's *Today Show*.

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
16 recognize Thomasville, Georgia, as "Georgia's Rose City," and extend to Thomasville its  
17 commendation for the city's many important contributions to its community and the State of  
18 Georgia.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
20 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the public and the  
21 press.