

## House Resolution 1047

By: Representatives McCall of the 33<sup>rd</sup>, England of the 116<sup>th</sup>, Burns of the 159<sup>th</sup>, and Abrams of the 89<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing February 3, 2016, as Veterinary Medicine Day at the state capitol; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Georgia veterinarians use their scientific knowledge and skills for the benefit  
4 of society through the protection of animal health, the relief of animal suffering, the  
5 conservation of livestock resources, the promotion of public health, and the advancement of  
6 medical knowledge; and

7 WHEREAS, Georgia veterinarians protect the health and welfare of animals in this state that  
8 serve as a source of companionship, nutrition, and education for the people of this state; and

9 WHEREAS, the Georgia Veterinary Medical Association has been the voice of organized  
10 veterinary medicine for more than 100 years; and

11 WHEREAS, the Georgia State Board of Veterinary Medicine is appointed to protect,  
12 promote, and preserve the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Georgia  
13 through the regulation of licensed veterinarians, veterinary technicians, and faculty  
14 veterinarians in this state; and

15 WHEREAS, those working in the field of veterinary medicine demonstrate great  
16 compassion, understanding, and kindness for the animals in their care, and their dedication  
17 and commitment to the betterment of the animal world is appreciated and acknowledged.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
19 the members of this body commend those in the veterinary medicine field for their  
20 contributions toward improving the health and welfare of animals throughout this state and  
21 recognize February 3, 2016, as Veterinary Medicine Day at the state capitol.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
23 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to  
24 Georgia Veterinary Medical Association President Dr. Laura Smallwood, Georgia State  
25 Board of Veterinary Medicine President Dr. Larry Corry, University of Georgia College of  
26 Veterinary Medicine's Dean Sheila Allen, Georgia Veterinary Medical Association Advocacy  
27 Committee Chairman Dr. Vince Obsitnik, and Georgia Veterinary Medical Association  
28 Executive Director Susan Blevins.