

House Resolution 1179

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to require the State of Georgia to preserve  
 2 the natural areas at Stone Mountain; to provide access to Stone Mountain; to maintain an  
 3 appropriate and suitable memorial to the Confederacy at Stone Mountain; to protect and  
 4 preserve the carving on Stone Mountain; to provide for related matters; to provide for  
 5 submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

### 7 SECTION 1.

8 Article I, Section III of the Constitution is amended by adding a new Paragraph to read as  
 9 follows:

10 "Paragraph IV. *Protection of Stone Mountain.* The State of Georgia shall preserve the  
 11 natural areas situated within the Stone Mountain Park area, shall provide access to Stone  
 12 Mountain for Georgia's citizens, and shall maintain an appropriate and suitable memorial  
 13 for the Confederacy at and on Stone Mountain. In addition, the memorial to the heroes of  
 14 the Confederate States of America graven upon the face of Stone Mountain shall never be  
 15 altered, removed, concealed, or obscured in any fashion and shall be preserved and  
 16 protected for all time as a tribute to the bravery and heroism of the citizens of this state who  
 17 suffered and died in their cause."

### 18 SECTION 2.

19 The above proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be published and submitted as  
 20 provided in Article X, Section I, Paragraph II of the Constitution. The ballot submitting the  
 21 above proposed amendment shall have written or printed thereon the following:

22 "( ) YES Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to require the State of  
 23 ( ) NO Georgia to preserve the natural areas at Stone Mountain, to provide access to  
 24 Stone Mountain, to maintain an appropriate and suitable memorial to the  
 25 Confederacy at Stone Mountain, and to protect and preserve the carving on  
 26 Stone Mountain?"

- 27 All persons desiring to vote in favor of ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "Yes."  
28 All persons desiring to vote against ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "No." If  
29 such amendment shall be ratified as provided in said Paragraph of the Constitution, it shall  
30 become a part of the Constitution of this state.