

Senate Resolution 1182

By: Senators James of the 35th and Rhett of the 33rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Partners of the Americas Georgia-Pernambuco
2 organization; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, in 1968, Georgia and the northeastern Brazilian state of Pernambuco became
4 partner states, and the purpose of the partnership is to work together to develop and carry out
5 projects beneficial to both states; and

6 WHEREAS, members working on joint projects have the opportunity to learn about another
7 culture and gain new perspectives, and in the process, deep and lasting friendships often
8 develop; and

9 WHEREAS, Partners of the Americas is the western hemisphere's largest private, volunteer
10 organization engaged in economic and social development and technical training, while
11 fostering inter-American friendship and cooperation; and

12 WHEREAS, the organization works by pairing 45 U.S. states and the District of Columbia
13 with 31 regions and countries of Latin America and the Caribbean into 60 partnerships; and

14 WHEREAS, citizens on both sides of the partnership determine the local needs and mobilize
15 people and resources to get the job done, and they engage in mutually beneficial cultural and
16 educational exchanges, while carrying out development projects in crucial areas of need; and

17 WHEREAS, Georgia Partners is open to all individuals and organizations willing to share
18 their skills and work toward greater international cooperation among the people of the
19 Western Hemisphere, and the organization's program areas include agriculture, business,
20 cultural arts, education, the environment, health, rehabilitation, university linkage, and youth
21 development; and

22 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper to recognize this outstanding organization for
23 all of its accomplishments and its continuing mission to serve the State of Georgia.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
25 recognize the Partners of the Americas Georgia-Pernambuco organization, commend the
26 organization for its dedicated public service to the State of Georgia, and express their most
27 sincere best wishes for its continued success in the future.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
29 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the Partners of the
30 Americas Georgia-Pernambuco organization.