

Senate Resolution 1186

By: Senator Jones of the 25th

### A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the GIVE Center at Georgia College on its 20th Anniversary; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the GIVE Center connects Georgia College students eager to make a difference  
4 with volunteer efforts on the campus and at the local community, state, national, and  
5 international levels; and

6 WHEREAS, GIVE Center volunteers work to meet community needs in a variety of ways,  
7 creating a legacy for themselves and fulfilling the center's mission to not only prepare a  
8 student for a career, but also for life as a citizen; and

9 WHEREAS, the GIVE Center has made a profound impact on the lives of people in the  
10 Milledgeville-Baldwin County community, the State of Georgia, and the United States as a  
11 whole; and

12 WHEREAS, the GIVE Center was created by Kendall M. Stiles, and she continues her  
13 service today as the Senior Director of the Center; and

14 WHEREAS, over the 20 years of the GIVE Center's existence, the staff has documented over  
15 650,000 volunteer service hours, recruited over 12,000 unique student volunteers,  
16 participated in over 140,000 projects, and created through those volunteer efforts an  
17 estimated \$15 million of impact to the community; and

18 WHEREAS, the GIVE Center continues to be recognized for excellence and achievement,  
19 including being named in 2007 to the President's Higher Education Community Service  
20 Honor Roll, the highest federal recognition an institution can receive for its commitment to  
21 volunteering, service learning, and civic engagement; and

22 WHEREAS, the GIVE Center has been a vital part of creating the atmosphere of servant  
23 leadership that prevails at Georgia College today; and

24 WHEREAS, Saturday, April 9, 2016, will be a day of celebration honoring the faculty, staff,  
25 students, volunteers, and community partners of the GIVE Center.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
27 commend the GIVE Center at Georgia College on its 20th Anniversary and encourage the  
28 continuation of their good works.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
30 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the GIVE Center  
31 at Georgia College and its Senior Director, Kendall M. Stiles.