

Senate Resolution 150

By: Senators Williams of the 27th and Ligon, Jr. of the 3rd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Hannah Testa for her involvement in and commitment to environmental
2 sustainability and recognizing February 15, 2017, as Plastic Pollution Awareness Day at the
3 capitol; and for other purposes.
- 4 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia recognizes the importance of environmental sustainability;
5 and
- 6 WHEREAS, environmental sustainability is about making responsible decisions on corporate
7 and personal levels that will mitigate negative impacts on the environment; and
- 8 WHEREAS, each year in the United States, Americans throw away or recycle billions of
9 water bottles and use approximately 500 million single-use disposable straws and up to 700
10 single-use disposable bags; and
- 11 WHEREAS, pollution affects life and resources on Earth in profound ways: birds, fish,
12 turtles, dolphins, sharks, and whales are killed by being entangled in ocean pollution or by
13 eating nonbiodegradable products; and harmful chemicals from certain products can be
14 absorbed by the human body; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Georgia businesses should strive to reduce their environmental footprint by
16 developing and adopting improved environmental best practices; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Georgia's citizens should consider a pledge to honor environmental
18 sustainability by volunteering to aid in the cleanup efforts of local streets, rivers, lakes, or
19 beaches; and
- 20 WHEREAS, the health and welfare of the environment and resources of this state depend,
21 in great measure, upon the dedication of private and corporate citizens working together to
22 achieve the common goal of sustainability.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
24 commend Hannah Testa for her involvement in and commitment to environmental
25 sustainability and recognize February 15, 2017, as Plastic Pollution Awareness Day at the
26 capitol.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
28 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to Hannah Testa and
29 to the public and the press.