

House Resolution 192

By: Representatives Stephens of the 164th, Williams of the 119th, Gilliard of the 162nd, Hogan of the 179th, and Parrish of the 158th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the Georgia Economic Developers Association (GEDA) on its efforts to
2 improve the economic development climate of the State of Georgia; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Georgia's rare combination of economic assets, including its robust
4 infrastructure, strong workforce productivity, pro-business climate, renowned Universities
5 and Technical Colleges/QuickStart, competitive cost structure and a well-known brand,
6 creates an environment in which businesses continue to thrive and succeed; and

7 WHEREAS, Georgia has been ranked by several sources, including *Site Selection Magazine*
8 for four consecutive years now and *Area Development Magazine* for the last three years, as
9 the best state in the nation for business climate, job creation, workforce training, and
10 development; and

11 WHEREAS, the Georgia Department of Economic Development (GDEcD) has been named
12 the No. 1 "Best in Class" state-level economic development agency in the country, according
13 to a recent survey of United States corporate executives and location advisors by
14 Development Counsellors International; and

15 WHEREAS, economic growth in Georgia encompasses numerous fields, from Fortune 500
16 headquarters to agricultural development, from tourism and film production to
17 entrepreneurial growth, and from international businesses to local expansions; and

18 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia is committed to growing its economy by facilitating
19 innovation and encouraging the success of small business and home-grown industry, and by
20 attracting new businesses that will provide good jobs for our citizens; and

21 WHEREAS, the Georgia House of Representatives and GEDA work to maintain a strong
22 business climate, to grow jobs, and to attract and encourage investment in and for Georgia.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
24 the members of this body commend GEDA and its members for the significant role they play
25 in Georgia's economic growth and success.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
27 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
28 Georgia Economic Developers Association.