

## House Resolution 293

By: Representatives Watson of the 172<sup>nd</sup>, McCall of the 33<sup>rd</sup>, England of the 116<sup>th</sup>, Burns of the 159<sup>th</sup>, and Shaw of the 176<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the Georgia Department of Agriculture for their 100th anniversary of *The*  
2 *Farmers and Consumers Market Bulletin*; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the first issue of *The Market Bulletin* was published by the Georgia Department  
4 of Agriculture under the leadership of Commissioner J.J. Brown on March 1, 1917; and

5 WHEREAS, *The Market Bulletin* was first conceptualized in the 1910's by Mr. J.R. Lowe,  
6 a field employee of the Department of Agriculture, during the administration of  
7 Commissioner J.D. Price, to help fill "the need of a medium of exchange for the farm  
8 products of our state"; and

9 WHEREAS, throughout the 100 years of publication, *The Market Bulletin* has taken on many  
10 different forms, ranging from a simple 10x12 almanac to a 36-page newspaper during the  
11 administration of Agriculture Commissioner Eugene Talmadge; and

12 WHEREAS, the publication has covered some of the most timely issues affecting Georgia  
13 agriculture over the past 100 years, offered a vital medium of exchange to farmers and  
14 consumers through its classified advertisements, informed consumers of the monthly sales  
15 and events promoting Georgia Grown goods around the state, and provided recipes and  
16 gardening advice to gain interest from many of the non-farmer subscribers; and

17 WHEREAS, *The Market Bulletin's* current editor, Mrs. Amy Carter, has faithfully continued  
18 the bulletin's tradition of service and excellence; and

19 WHEREAS, *The Farmers and Consumers Market Bulletin* remains a source of agricultural  
20 and Georgia news for more than 40,000 paid subscribers and continues to be recognized as  
21 an invaluable aid to the farming community here in Georgia.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
23 the members of this body commend the Georgia Department of Agriculture for its long and  
24 outstanding work on *The Farmers and Consumers Market Bulletin* and wish the department  
25 continued success with future publications.

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 public and the press.