

Senate Resolution 741

By: Senators Orrock of the 36th, Seay of the 34th, Jones of the 10th, Unterman of the 45th, Anderson of the 43rd and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Hannah Fazila Testa for her involvement in and commitment to environmental
2 sustainability and recognizing February 15, 2018, as Plastic Pollution Awareness Day at the
3 state capitol; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia recognizes the importance of environmental sustainability
5 and recycling; 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, Americans throw away or recycle billions of water bottles and use
9 up approximately 500 million disposable straws, as well as disposable plastic bags; and

10 WHEREAS, pollution affects life and resources on Earth in profound ways: birds, fish,
11 turtles, dolphins, sharks, and whales are killed by being entangled in ocean pollution or by
12 eating nonbiodegradable products; and harmful chemicals from certain products can be
13 absorbed by the human body; and

14 WHEREAS, Georgia businesses should strive to reduce their environmental footprint by
15 developing and adopting improved environmental best practices; and

16 WHEREAS, Georgia's citizens should consider a pledge to honor environmental
17 sustainability by volunteering to aid in the cleanup efforts of local streets, rivers, lakes, or
18 beaches; and

19 WHEREAS, the health and welfare of the environment and resources of this state depend,
20 in great measure, upon the dedication of private and corporate citizens working together to
21 achieve the common goal of sustainability.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
23 commend Hannah Fazila Testa for her involvement in and commitment to environmental
24 sustainability and recognize February 15, 2018, as Plastic Pollution Awareness Day at the
25 state capitol.

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