

## Senate Resolution 860

By: Senators James of the 35th and Rhett of the 33rd

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the South Fulton Chamber of Commerce on the grand occasion of its 71st  
2 anniversary; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the South Fulton Chamber of Commerce started in 1947 as the East Point  
4 Chamber of Commerce and over time merged with the College Park Chamber of Commerce  
5 and the DeKalb Chamber of Commerce before becoming independent again in 2002 as the  
6 South Fulton Chamber of Commerce; and

7 WHEREAS, as one of two county chambers for Fulton County, it works with the county and  
8 the seven municipalities on economic development, business retention and recruitment,  
9 health and environmental issues, and education initiatives; and

10 WHEREAS, the South Fulton Chamber of Commerce is led by president and CEO, Y. Dyan  
11 Matthews, and has an outstanding board of directors that represents major corporations,  
12 medium and small businesses, and educational and government institutions and agencies; and

13 WHEREAS, the South Fulton Chamber of Commerce has been honored with the City of East  
14 Point December 2015 Small Business of the Month award; it received a grant from the  
15 Development Authority of Fulton County to develop a marketing guide for economic  
16 development; and it is proud to have increased membership by 20 percent in 2015; and

17 WHEREAS, as the official voice of the South Fulton business community, the South Fulton  
18 Chamber of Commerce has done an excellent job of working with state, county, municipal,  
19 business, education, religious, and community leaders to improve the economic development  
20 climate for the State of Georgia and to ensure that South Fulton is a place where business  
21 blooms.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
23 recognize the South Fulton Chamber of Commerce on the grand occasion of its 71st  
24 anniversary and wish it continued success.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
26 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the South Fulton  
27 Chamber of Commerce.