

Senate Resolution 272

By: Senators Tillery of the 19th, Gooch of the 51st, Miller of the 49th, Dolezal of the 27th, Beach of the 21st and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and congratulating Carol L. Comer upon the grand occasion of her retirement;
- 2 and for other purposes.

- 3 WHEREAS, a native of Concord, North Carolina, and an aviation enthusiast from an early age, Carol L. Comer studied industrial engineering at North Carolina State University and took numerous continuing education classes at Embry Riddle Aeronautical University and the University of Virginia Darden School of Business; and

- 7 WHEREAS, she received a private pilot license in 1986; an instrument rating in 1990; a commercial pilot license with single and multi-engine land ratings in 1991; and a flight instructor certificate in 1992, logging over 3,500 flight hours; and

- 10 WHEREAS, in her role as director of the Intermodal Division of the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT), she manages an annual budget of more than \$180 million and oversees statewide programs for aviation, rail, transit, and waterways; and

- 13 WHEREAS, an industry professional with over 30 years of experience, she began working for GDOT in 1997 as an aviation planner, and she has served as the aviation development engineer and aviation program manager during her tenure; and

16 WHEREAS, since 1997, there have been \$1.5 billion total invested in Georgia's commercial
17 service and general aviation airports, excluding Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International
18 Airport; of these funds, \$1.15 billion were federal funds, \$200 million were state funds, and
19 \$150 million were local dollars; and

20 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
21 extraordinary citizen be appropriately recognized.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
23 recognize Carol L. Comer for her efficient, effective, and dedicated service to the State of
24 Georgia; congratulate her upon the grand occasion of her retirement; and extend best wishes
25 for continued success and happiness.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
27 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Carol L. Comer.