

Senate Resolution 280

By: Senator Williams of the 25th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing March 9, 2023, as Georgia College & State University Day at the state capitol
2 and inviting Georgia College President Mrs. Cathy Cox to be recognized by the Georgia
3 State Senate; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, Georgia College & State University's history began when an Act by the Georgia
5 General Assembly creating Georgia Normal and Industrial College, a public institution for
6 the education of women, was signed into law on November 8, 1889; and

7 WHEREAS, since its founding 133 years ago, this venerable institution has been known
8 officially as Georgia State College for Women, the Women's College of Georgia, Georgia
9 College, and since 1996, Georgia College & State University; and

10 WHEREAS, Georgia College & State University, Georgia's designated liberal arts university,
11 offers a distinctive learning environment with innovative teaching, top faculty, distinguished
12 programs, and opportunities to learn beyond the classroom; and

13 WHEREAS, Georgia College & State University is consistently listed in the *U.S. News &*
14 *World Report* rankings as one of the best regional universities in the South; and

15 WHEREAS, Georgia College & State University fills a vital role in the University System
16 of Georgia to make certain that Georgia has the highly educated workforce it needs for the
17 future by ensuring access and affordability while maintaining high academic value and
18 quality of programs; and

19 WHEREAS, since its founding in 1889, Georgia College & State University has transformed
20 the lives of generations of students by producing graduates like noted Georgia author
21 Flannery O'Connor and Georgia's First Lady Sandra Deal, who have made significant
22 contributions in Milledgeville, throughout the State of Georgia, across the nation, and
23 abroad; and

24 WHEREAS, the president, students, faculty, staff, and alumni of this fine institution are
25 welcomed to the Gold Dome for Georgia College & State University Day at the state capitol.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
27 commend Georgia College & State University for its 133 years of excellence in developing
28 a more educated Georgia; recognize March 9, 2023, as Georgia College & State University
29 Day at the state capitol; and invite Georgia College President Mrs. Cathy Cox to be
30 recognized at a date and time to be designated by the Lieutenant Governor of Georgia.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
32 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to Georgia College &
33 State University.