

## House Resolution 218

By: Representatives Burns of the 159<sup>th</sup>, England of the 116<sup>th</sup>, Dickey of the 140<sup>th</sup>, Smith of the 70<sup>th</sup>, Washburn of the 141<sup>st</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Georgia Forestry Commission for 100 years of service to  
2 the State of Georgia; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, forests make up 75 percent, or 24 million acres, of the State of Georgia and  
4 provide a myriad of benefits to the citizens of Georgia, including clean air, clean water,  
5 abundant products, wildlife habitat, recreation, and general aesthetics; and

6 WHEREAS, the Georgia General Assembly established the "Forestry Act of 1921,"  
7 providing for a State Board of Forestry to protect Georgia's forest resources; and

8 WHEREAS, the Georgia Forestry Commission has worked diligently toward its mission "to  
9 provide leadership, service, and education" and "to protect and conserve Georgia's forest  
10 resources" as well as its vision for "healthy and abundant forests that support a robust  
11 industry while providing social, environmental, and financial benefits to all of Georgia" since  
12 1921; and

13 WHEREAS, services provided by the Georgia Forestry Commission protect Georgia's forests  
14 and citizens and contribute greatly to making and keeping Georgia the number one state in  
15 the nation for forestry; and

16 WHEREAS, employees of the commission serve the citizens of the state with dedication,  
17 heart, and determination, ensuring the protection and conservation of our forest resources for  
18 the next generation.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
20 the members of this body recognize and commend the Georgia Forestry Commission for  
21 faithfully serving the State of Georgia for 100 years.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
23 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to State  
24 Forester Timothy Lowrimore.