House Bill 822

By: Representative Scott of the 76th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

To amend Chapter 4 of Title 1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
holidays and observances, so as to provide that March 8 of each year shall be "Southern
Crescent Women in Business Day" in Georgia; to provide for legislative findings; to provide
for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6	SECTION 1.
7	Chapter 4 of Title 1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to holidays and
8	observances, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:
9	″ <u>1-4-24.</u>
10	(a) The General Assembly finds that:
11	(1) Women start over 60 percent of the new businesses established in Georgia;
12	(2) Georgia ranks second among the states in growth in number of women-owned firms
13	and seventh in growth in economic clout of women-owned firms;
14	(3) Businesses designated as a 'Women Business Enterprise' are one of the fastest
15	growing segments of businesses in Georgia, and the state ranks fifth in the United States
16	for the greatest number of women-owned firms; and

- 17 (4) The growth of this segment will continue in the Southern Crescent and across the
- 18 <u>state of Georgia.</u>
- 19 (b) March 8 of each year is designated as 'Southern Crescent Women in Business Day' in
- 20 <u>Georgia.</u>"
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SECTION 2.

22 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.