

House Resolution 214

By: Representatives Cheokas of the 151<sup>st</sup> and Stinson of the 150<sup>th</sup>

### A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Americus-Sumter County and recognizing February 19, 2025, as  
2 Americus-Sumter County Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Sumter County was established by an act of the Georgia General Assembly on  
4 December 26, 1831, becoming Georgia's 80th county; and

5 WHEREAS, the City of Americus was established as the seat of Sumter County by an act  
6 of the Georgia General Assembly on December 22, 1832; and

7 WHEREAS, the City of Americus is named for the Italian explorer Amerigo Vespucci, just  
8 as the United States of America is; and

9 WHEREAS, Americus-Sumter County was home to Souther Field, a United States Army  
10 aviation training base that served American aviators in World War I as well as American and  
11 British Aviators in World War II; and

12 WHEREAS, the famed pilot Charles Linberg bought his first airplane and made his first solo  
13 flight in Americus-Sumter County; and

14 WHEREAS, Americus-Sumter County is a leading producer of Georgia's cotton, peanuts,  
15 and vegetables as well as a significant producer of livestock; and

16 WHEREAS, Americus-Sumter County is home to South Georgia Technical College and  
17 Georgia Southwestern State University, both of which contribute to Georgia's workforce in  
18 significant ways; and

19 WHEREAS, the internationally recognized housing program Habitat for Humanity  
20 International was founded and still maintains its headquarters in the City of Americus; and

21 WHEREAS, the Sumter County City of Plains is home to the 39th President of the United  
22 States, the late Jimmy Carter, and to the late First Lady Rosalynn Carter, who together  
23 brought international attention to Sumter County, Georgia.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
25 the members of this body commend Americus-Sumter County for its many contributions to  
26 the State of Georgia and recognize February 19, 2025, as Americus-Sumter County Day at  
27 the state capitol.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
29 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the  
30 public and the press.