

Senate Resolution 287

By: Senators Still of the 48th, Payne of the 54th, Cowser of the 46th, Robertson of the 29th,
Goodman of the 8th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Georgia Festival of Trees; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, since its founding in 2021, the Georgia Festival of Trees has united
3 communities in the spirit of generosity, service, and celebration, advancing its three-fold
4 mission of advocacy, volunteerism, and holiday tradition; and

5 WHEREAS, at the heart of its mission, the festival raises awareness and critical funding to
6 combat the commercial sexual exploitation of women and children in Georgia, supporting
7 organizations dedicated to protecting and restoring the lives of survivors; and

8 WHEREAS, the festival also fosters a culture of volunteerism and charitable giving, bringing
9 together individuals, businesses, and families to serve a greater cause and strengthen
10 community bonds; and

11 WHEREAS, finally, the Georgia Festival of Trees offers an immersive holiday experience
12 filled with dazzling displays and festive activities, providing families and friends with
13 opportunities to build cherished traditions and lifetime memories; and

14 WHEREAS, under the leadership of its founder and executive director, Angie Ulibarri, the
15 festival has expanded its reach, engaging volunteers and supporters in a shared mission of
16 hope and compassion; and

17 WHEREAS, Angie Ulibarri's dedication to advocating for children and educating families
18 about the dangers of human trafficking has strengthened the festival's impact, ensuring its
19 purpose extends beyond the holiday season; and

20 WHEREAS, the Georgia Festival of Trees and its founder, Angie Ulibarri, have made a
21 profound contribution to the fight against human trafficking while fostering a holiday
22 tradition rooted in service and goodwill; and

23 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the Georgia Festival of Trees is honored
24 not only as a celebration but also as a movement of love, compassion, and the true meaning
25 of Christmas.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
27 recognize the Georgia Festival of Trees, commend it for its many outstanding contributions
28 on behalf of those in need, and extend best wishes for its continued growth, development,
29 and success.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
31 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the Georgia Festival
32 of Trees and Angie Ulibarri.