

## Senate Resolution 872

By: Senators Halpern of the 39th, Jackson of the 41st, Orrock of the 36th, Kemp of the 38th and McLaurin of the 14th

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commemorating the 30th anniversary of the 1996 Atlanta Olympic Games and recognizing  
2 the enduring impact of the Atlanta Downtown Improvement District; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, in 1996, the City of Atlanta hosted the Centennial Olympic Games, marking the  
4 100th anniversary of the modern Olympic movement and placing Atlanta and the State of  
5 Georgia firmly on the global stage as a center of commerce, culture, and international  
6 cooperation; and

7 WHEREAS, the Atlanta Olympic Games catalyzed transformative investments in  
8 infrastructure, transportation, housing, public spaces, and economic development, reshaping  
9 Downtown Atlanta and creating a foundation for long-term urban revitalization; and

10 WHEREAS, the momentum generated by the games underscored the importance of sustained  
11 stewardship, strategic planning, and coordinated investment to ensure that Downtown Atlanta  
12 remained vibrant, safe, and economically competitive in the decades that followed; and

13 WHEREAS, in response to this need, the Atlanta Downtown Improvement District was  
14 created to provide dedicated services and leadership focused on public safety, sanitation,

15 beautification, infrastructure enhancement, and business support within the downtown core;  
16 and

17 WHEREAS, the district has worked in partnership with property owners, businesses,  
18 residents, and local government to preserve the legacy of the Olympic transformation by  
19 strengthening economic vitality, enhancing public spaces, and promoting a welcoming  
20 environment for workers, students, residents, and visitors; and

21 WHEREAS, over the past three decades, the combined legacy of the 1996 Olympic Games  
22 and the ongoing efforts of the Atlanta Downtown Improvement District has helped position  
23 Downtown Atlanta as a hub for major sporting events, conventions, higher education,  
24 tourism, and small business growth; and

25 WHEREAS, the 30th anniversary of the Atlanta Olympic Games provides an opportunity to  
26 reflect on the vision, collaboration, and investment that reshaped the city and to recognize  
27 the continued role of the Atlanta Downtown Improvement District in carrying that vision  
28 forward for future generations.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
30 commemorate the 30th anniversary of the 1996 Atlanta Olympic Games in honor of its  
31 historic and lasting impact on the City of Atlanta and the State of Georgia as well as  
32 recognize the Atlanta Downtown Improvement District for its leadership and ongoing  
33 commitment to sustaining and enhancing the vitality of Downtown Atlanta.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
35 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the public and the  
36 press.