

House Resolution 163

By: Representatives Smyre of the 135th, Smith of the 134th, Hugley of the 136th, Buckner of the 137th, and Pezold of the 133rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing February 5, 2013, as Columbus Day at the state capitol and inviting Mayor
2 Teresa Tomlinson, City Manager Isaiah Hugley, Chamber President and CEO Mike Gaymon,
3 and Chamber Board Chairwoman Jacki Lowe to be recognized by the House of
4 Representatives; and for other purposes.

5 WHEREAS, the Columbus region of Georgia is known for its fantastic visitor attractions,
6 expansive economic growth and development, and beautiful natural landscapes; and

7 WHEREAS, the region is known for its public and private partnerships that have generated
8 success for the area with projects such as the RiverCenter for the Performing Arts and the
9 Valley Partnership Joint Development Authority; and

10 WHEREAS, for nearly 15 years, the Greater Columbus Chamber of Commerce has
11 journeyed to larger cities around the country to learn how to improve the Columbus area and
12 identify what steps can be taken to foster growth and development; and

13 WHEREAS, Columbus is home to numerous national and international institutions, including
14 Aflac, Carmike Cinemas, NCR, Fort Benning, Synovus, TSYS, and the W.C. Bradley
15 Company; and

16 WHEREAS, Columbus features exciting attractions such as the 15 mile Riverwalk, the
17 RiverCenter for the Performing Arts, the Columbus Convention and Trade Center, the
18 Columbus Civic Center and Skating Rink, the South Commons softball complex, historic
19 Golden Park, a skateboard park, the Columbus Museum, the Springer Opera House, and the
20 Liberty Theater; and

21 WHEREAS, the citizens of the Greater Columbus region are justly proud of their
22 community, its past, and its many contributions to this state, and it is only proper to
23 recognize February 5, 2013, as Columbus Day at the state capitol.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
25 the members of this body recognize February 5, 2013, as Columbus Day at the state capitol,
26 congratulate the Greater Columbus region on its many outstanding accomplishments, and
27 invite Mayor Teresa Tomlinson, City Manager Isaiah Hugley, Chamber President and CEO
28 Mike Gaymon, and Chamber Board Chairwoman Jacki Lowe to be recognized by the House
29 of Representatives at a date and time to be determined by the Speaker of the House of
30 Representatives.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
32 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Greater Columbus
33 Chamber of Commerce.