

## House Resolution 74

By: Representatives Jones of the 47<sup>th</sup>, Ramsey of the 72<sup>nd</sup>, Maxwell of the 17<sup>th</sup>, Atwood of the 179<sup>th</sup>, Willard of the 51<sup>st</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Georgia State University, recognizing February 4, 2015, as Georgia State  
2 University Day at the state capitol, and inviting the Georgia State University Student  
3 Government Association to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other  
4 purposes.

5 WHEREAS, Georgia State University, founded in 1913, is a premier urban research  
6 university focused on research, service, and advanced educational opportunities for more  
7 than 32,000 students; and

8 WHEREAS, Georgia State University has granted about 200,000 degrees since 1913 and  
9 now offers 250 undergraduate and graduate degree programs in more than 100 fields of study  
10 in its eight colleges and schools; and

11 WHEREAS, Georgia State University remains a national leader in graduating students from  
12 widely diverse backgrounds, and continues to share best practices with colleges and  
13 universities across the nation; and

14 WHEREAS, Georgia State University generates an annual economic impact of \$1.5 billion  
15 to the state and attracts world renowned faculty and researchers with more than \$81 million  
16 in research awards; and

17 WHEREAS, Georgia State University continues to expand its footprint in the downtown  
18 Atlanta area with the construction of a new law school, a second research building, and a  
19 1,100-bed housing facility; and

20 WHEREAS, once approved by the University System of Georgia Board of Regents, Georgia  
21 State University will consolidate with Georgia Perimeter College, providing exemplary  
22 higher education to about 54,000 students and becoming the 12th largest university in the  
23 nation; and

24 WHEREAS, Georgia State University's Athletics Department has 16 NCAA Division I teams  
25 competing in the Sun Belt Conference, earning conference titles in 2014 in men's basketball,  
26 men's golf, and women's tennis, and it leads the Sun Belt Conference in the graduation  
27 success rate; and

28 WHEREAS, Georgia State University is a powerful force for progress in Georgia, educating  
29 students and advancing research while revitalizing Atlanta through a long-standing and  
30 strong commitment to the community; and

31 WHEREAS, this body counts 14 members who have graduated from this fine institution; and

32 WHEREAS, the President, students, faculty, and alumni of this fine institution are welcomed  
33 to the Gold Dome for Georgia State University Day at the state capitol.

34 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
35 the members of this body commend Georgia State University for providing exemplary  
36 education for more than a century, recognize February 4, 2015, as Georgia State University  
37 Day at the state capitol, and invite the Georgia State University Student Government  
38 Association to be recognized by the House of Representatives at a date and time to be  
39 determined by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

40 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
41 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the  
42 Georgia State University Student Government Association.