A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing February 1, 2017, as Columbus Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, Columbus was the first Consolidated Government in Georgia and the Columbus
region of Georgia is known for its fantastic visitor attractions, white water rafting, expansive
defense entities, economic growth and development, servant leadership, education
excellence, and beautiful natural landscapes; and

6 WHEREAS, the region is known for its public and private partnerships that have generated
7 success for the area with projects such as the RiverCenter for the Performing Arts, an
8 exciting downtown campus for Columbus State University, white water rafting, and the
9 Valley Partnership Joint Development Authority; and

- 10 WHEREAS, the Greater Columbus Chamber of Commerce is the first chamber in Georgia
- 11 to receive a 5-star rating, an elite designation earned by only the top 5 percent of all
- 12 chambers in the United States; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Columbus is home to numerous defense, national and international institutions,
- 14 including Aflac, NCR, Pratt and Whitney, Fort Benning, Synovus, TSYS, and the W.C.
- 15 Bradley Company; and
- 16 WHEREAS, the citizens of the Greater Columbus region are justly proud of their community
- 17 and region, their past, their exciting future, and the many contributions to this state, and it is
- 18 only proper to recognize February 1, 2017, as Columbus Day at the state capitol.
- 19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 20 recognize February 1, 2017, as Columbus Day at the state capitol, congratulate the Columbus
- 21 region on its many outstanding accomplishments, and wish it continued future success.

- 22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 23 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the Greater
- 24 Columbus Chamber of Commerce.