

Senate Resolution 82

By: Senators Chance of the 16th, Wilkinson of the 50th and Unterman of the 45th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing February 7, 2013, as Veterinary Medicine Day at the state capitol; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Georgia veterinarians use their scientific knowledge and skills for the benefit
4 of society through the protection of animal health, the relief of animal suffering, the
5 conservation of livestock resources, the promotion of public health, and the advancement of
6 medical knowledge; and

7 WHEREAS, Georgia veterinarians protect the health and welfare of animals in this state that
8 serve as a source of companionship, nutrition, and education for the people of this state; and

9 WHEREAS, the Georgia Veterinary Medical Association has been the voice of organized
10 veterinary medicine for more than 100 years; and

11 WHEREAS, the Georgia State Board of Veterinary Medicine is appointed to protect,
12 promote, and preserve the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Georgia
13 through the regulation of licensed veterinarians, veterinary technicians, and faculty
14 veterinarians in this state; and

15 WHEREAS, those working in the field of veterinary medicine demonstrate great
16 compassion, understanding, and kindness for the animals in their care and their dedication
17 and commitment to the betterment of the animal world is appreciated and acknowledged.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
19 commend those in the veterinary medicine field for their contributions to improve the health
20 and welfare of animals throughout the state and that Thursday, February 7, 2013, is
21 recognized as Veterinary Medicine Day at the state capitol.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
23 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Georgia Veterinary Medical Association
24 President Dr. Denise Funk, Georgia State Board of Veterinary Medicine President Dr. Edsel
25 Davis, University of Georgia College of Veterinary Medicine's Dean Sheila Allen, Georgia
26 Veterinary Medical Association Advocacy Committee Chairman Dr. Vince Obsitnik, and
27 Georgia Veterinary Medical Association Executive Director Clare Reagan.