

House Resolution 1179

By: Representatives Benton of the 31st, Petrea of the 166th, Allison of the 8th, Cheokas of the 138th, Wilkinson of the 52nd, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to require the State of Georgia to preserve
2 the natural areas at Stone Mountain; to provide access to Stone Mountain; to maintain an
3 appropriate and suitable memorial to the Confederacy at Stone Mountain; to protect and
4 preserve the carving on Stone Mountain; to provide for related matters; to provide for
5 submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 SECTION 1.

8 Article I, Section III of the Constitution is amended by adding a new Paragraph to read as
9 follows:

10 "Paragraph IV. *Protection of Stone Mountain.* The State of Georgia shall preserve the
11 natural areas situated within the Stone Mountain Park area, shall provide access to Stone
12 Mountain for Georgia's citizens, and shall maintain an appropriate and suitable memorial
13 for the Confederacy at and on Stone Mountain. In addition, the memorial to the heroes of
14 the Confederate States of America graven upon the face of Stone Mountain shall never be
15 altered, removed, concealed, or obscured in any fashion and shall be preserved and
16 protected for all time as a tribute to the bravery and heroism of the citizens of this state who
17 suffered and died in their cause."

18 SECTION 2.

19 The above proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be published and submitted as
20 provided in Article X, Section I, Paragraph II of the Constitution. The ballot submitting the
21 above proposed amendment shall have written or printed thereon the following:

22 "() YES Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to require the State of
23 () NO Georgia to preserve the natural areas at Stone Mountain, to provide access to
24 Stone Mountain, to maintain an appropriate and suitable memorial to the
25 Confederacy at Stone Mountain, and to protect and preserve the carving on
26 Stone Mountain?"

27 All persons desiring to vote in favor of ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "Yes."
28 All persons desiring to vote against ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "No." If
29 such amendment shall be ratified as provided in said Paragraph of the Constitution, it shall
30 become a part of the Constitution of this state.