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House Resolution 132

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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing February 1, 2017, as Columbus Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Columbus was the first Consolidated Government in Georgia and the Columbus
- 3 region of Georgia is known for its fantastic visitor attractions, white water rafting, expansive
- 4 defense entities, economic growth and development, servant leadership, education
- 5 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
- and region, their past, their exciting future, and the many contributions to this state, and it is
- only proper to recognize February 1, 2017, as Columbus Day at the state capitol.
- 19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 20 the members of this body recognize February 1, 2017, as Columbus Day at the state capitol,
- 21 congratulate the Columbus region on its many outstanding accomplishments, and wish it
- 22 continued future success.

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23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized

- 24 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
- 25 Greater Columbus Chamber of Commerce.