

Senate Resolution 459

By: Senators Albers of the 56th, Beach of the 21st and Mullis of the 53rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) education and recognizing
2 May 5, 2017, as Georgia STEM Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, STEM education is fundamental in the success of our future work force and has
4 become a vital aspect of our state's future economic competitiveness and growth; and

5 WHEREAS, TAG Education Collaborative, community partners, and K-12 schools
6 throughout the state will join together to celebrate STEM and recognize its benefits to our
7 students; and

8 WHEREAS, Georgia is a global center for logistics technology, information security
9 technology, financial technology, health IT, and communication services. The technology
10 industry has a \$113 billion economic impact on the State of Georgia, accounting for nearly
11 17 percent of the state's economy; and

12 WHEREAS, by the year 2018, nearly 211,000 technology jobs are projected to exist in our
13 state, and fostering student interest in STEM careers will strengthen Georgia's leadership
14 position in technology and innovation; and

15 WHEREAS, students, teachers, companies, and universities will participate in STEM
16 activities that will engage and excite students about STEM learning.

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
18 commend STEM education and its mission to educate our youth and sustain our position as
19 a leader in technology and recognize May 5, 2017, as Georgia STEM Day at the state capitol.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
21 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to TAG Education
22 Collaborative.