

Senate Resolution 887

By: Senators Anderson of the 43rd, Davenport of the 44th, Butler of the 55th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Sims of the 12th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing February 20, 2018, as Female Veterans Legislative Day at the state capitol; and
2 for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, women are a vital part of the armed forces and the community of veterans, and
4 they have formally been a part of the armed forces of the United States since the inception
5 of Army Nurse Corps in 1901, but have proudly served alongside and supported our nation's
6 military since the American Revolution; and

7 WHEREAS, women veterans account for approximately 10 percent of the veteran population
8 in the United States and their ranks are expected to grow to 15 percent by 2030; though many
9 of their challenges and opportunities are similar to those of their male counterparts, some are
10 unique or disproportionate to the population of women veterans, which is younger and more
11 ethnically diverse than its male cohort; and by 2045, the number of women veterans in the
12 nation will rise to 2.2 million, nearly doubling the share of women veterans to 18 percent;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, we will endeavor to always honor the contributions and sacrifices of the
15 millions of Georgians who have, over the centuries, served in the military and the tens of
16 thousands presently serving, both at home and abroad; and

17 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia is home to more than 752,000 veterans, of which more than
18 93,000 are women veterans, in addition to being the home of tens of thousands of the nation's
19 military families; and

20 WHEREAS, Georgia salutes and remembers the many American women veterans who have
21 courageously and honorably served in the military on behalf of our nation; and

22 WHEREAS, on this day, we commemorate the fearless service of women who have served
23 our nation in the armed forces of the United States, and we honor our women veterans and

24 their families for their remarkable sacrifices and outstanding contributions to the State of
25 Georgia.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
27 commend the service of women veterans and recognize February 20, 2018, as Female
28 Veterans Legislative Day at the state capitol.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
30 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the public and the
31 press.