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House Resolution 385

By: Representatives McCall of the 33rd, LaRiccia of the 169th, Meeks of the 178th, England of the 116th, Bentley of the 139th, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending the Georgia peanut industry and recognizing March 4, 2019, as Peanut Butter
- 2 and Jelly Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, peanuts and peanut products are recognized throughout the nation and the world
- 4 as an appetizing and nutritious food, providing protein and other nutrients as part of a
- 5 well-balanced diet; and
- 6 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia leads the United States in peanut production, having
- 7 produced nearly 50 percent of the total supply in the nation in 2018; and
- 8 WHEREAS, this state also leads the nation in peanut exports, supplying 50 percent of the
- 9 United States peanut exports and contributing over \$335 million toward the nation's balance
- 10 of trade; and
- 11 WHEREAS, peanut production is the largest single cash food row crop in Georgia with gross
- 12 farm receipts totaling hundreds of millions of dollars; and
- 13 WHEREAS, more than 250 Georgia companies engaged in warehousing, processing,
- manufacturing, and marketing depend totally on the peanut industry, and hundreds of other
- 15 Georgia companies that engage in financing, supplying, distributing, and transporting are
- 16 dependent to some extent on the peanut industry; and
- 17 WHEREAS, the Georgia peanut industry has played a significant role in the economic
- 18 growth and prosperity of this state, contributing an estimated \$2 billion to the Georgia
- 19 economy and supporting the livelihood of more than 150,000 Georgians.
- 20 NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 21 the members of this body commend the peanut industry for its outstanding contributions to

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22 the economic health of the State of Georgia and recognize March 4, 2019, as Peanut Butter

- 23 and Jelly Day at the state capitol.
- 24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 25 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
- 26 Georgia Peanut Commission.