

House Resolution 996

By: Representatives Smyre of the 135th, Smith of the 134th, Hugley of the 136th, Pezold of the 133rd, and Buckner of the 137th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing February 7, 2018, as Columbus Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Columbus was the first Consolidated Government in Georgia, and the
3 Columbus region of Georgia is known for its fantastic visitor attractions, whitewater rafting,
4 expansive defense entities, servant leadership, education excellence, beautiful natural
5 landscapes, and economic growth and development; and

6 WHEREAS, the region is also known for its public and private partnerships, which have
7 generated success for the area through projects such as the River Center for the Performing
8 Arts, the exciting downtown campus for Columbus State University, whitewater rafting, and
9 the Valley Partnership Joint Development Authority; and

10 WHEREAS, the Greater Columbus Georgia Chamber of Commerce is the first chamber in
11 Georgia to receive a 5-star rating, an elite designation earned by only the top 5 percent of all
12 chambers of commerce in the United States; and

13 WHEREAS, Columbus is home to numerous national and international defense institutions,
14 including Aflac, Fort Benning, W.C. Bradley Company, NCR, Pratt and Whitney, Synovus,
15 and TSYS; and

16 WHEREAS, the citizens of the greater Columbus region are justly proud of their community
17 and region, their past, their exciting future, and their many contributions to this state, and it
18 is only fitting and proper to recognize February 7, 2018, as Columbus Day at the state
19 capitol.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
21 the members of this body recognize February 7, 2018, as Columbus Day at the state capitol.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
23 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
24 public and the press.