

Senate Resolution 89

By: Senator Gooch of the 51st

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing February 1, 2017, as White County Day at the state capitol; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, White County, Georgia, was founded in 1857 and named for David White, a
4 legislator from Newton County who helped pass the bill that created White County; and

5 WHEREAS, White covers 242 square miles and has a population of over 27,000; and

6 WHEREAS, White County encompasses most of the headwater streams of the
7 Chattahoochee River and is thus a major source of Atlanta's water supply; and

8 WHEREAS, White County is known as the gateway to Georgia's mountains and is home to
9 many ecological tourist attractions, such as the Chattahoochee National Forest, through
10 which the Appalachian Trail runs, and Unicoi State Park, Smithgall Woods Conservation
11 Area, and the Sautee Nacoochee Community Association in Nacoochee Valley; and

12 WHEREAS, White County is also home to tourist attractions, including Babyland General
13 Hospital, the whimsical birthplace of the dolls known as Cabbage Patch Kids, as well as
14 Helen, a look-alike Bavarian village that has become one of the largest tourist attractions in
15 Georgia and the site of one of the nation's largest Oktoberfest celebrations; and

16 WHEREAS, the White County Chamber of Commerce is working to develop and apply new
17 ideas, techniques, and technologies to generate and improve productivity levels, fiscal
18 sustainability, business development, job growth, and quality of life within White County;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, the citizens of White County are justly proud of their community, its past, and
21 its many contributions to the state, and it is only fitting and proper to recognize this
22 magnificent county.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
24 recognize February 1, 2017, as White County Day at the state capitol and express their
25 sincerest best wishes of continued success.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
27 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the White County
28 Chamber of Commerce.