

## GEORGIA DAY

**Whereas:** The State of Georgia was founded by General James Edward Oglethorpe, who received a Royal Charter for establishing a colony in honor of King George II and led 116 people from England on the *HMS Anne* landing near present day Savannah on February 12, 1733; and

**Whereas:** George Walton, Button Gwinnett, and Lyman Hall each signed the Declaration of Independence on behalf of Georgia which became the fourth State to ratify the U.S. Constitution on January 2, 1788, and

**Whereas:** Since its founding 281 years ago, Georgia has grown to over nine million people and progressed from a rural state to a commercial, financial, and cultural center for the Southeast and Nation.

**THEREFORE, I, JERE WOOD, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ROSWELL,** do hereby proclaim February 12, 2014 as **GEORGIA DAY** in the City of Roswell and encourage all of our citizens to acknowledge and celebrate our State's history and accomplishments.

*In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 12th day of February, 2014.*

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**MAYOR JERE WOOD**