

House Resolution 1282

By: Representative Jamieson of the 22nd

A RESOLUTION

1 Endorsing the Read Across America campaign; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Read Across America is an ongoing campaign sponsored by the Georgia
3 Association of Educators and the National Education Association to motivate children to
4 read; and

5 WHEREAS, the Georgia Association of Educators and the National Education Association
6 are calling for every child in every community to be in the company of a book on the evening
7 of March 2, 2002, in celebration of Dr. Seuss' birthday; and

8 WHEREAS, it is beyond dispute that when children read outside of school they do better in
9 school; and

10 WHEREAS, it is also true that one of the most important things parents can do is read to
11 their children; and

12 WHEREAS, the members of this body stand firmly committed to promoting reading as the
13 catalyst for our students' future academic success, their preparation for Georgia's jobs of the
14 future, and their ability to compete in a global economy; and

15 WHEREAS, the members of this body believe in the importance of community involvement
16 in the education of our youth, grounded in the principle that educational investment is the key
17 to the community's well-being and long-term quality of life.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
19 the members of this body call on the citizens of Georgia to assure that every child is in a safe
20 place reading together with a caring adult on the evening of March 2, 2002.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of this body enthusiastically endorse Read
2 Across America, sponsored by the Georgia Association of Educators and the National
3 Education Association, and urge our communities to engage in programs and activities to
4 make Georgia's children the best readers in the world.

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
6 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Georgia Association of
7 Educators.