

Senate Resolution 920

By: Senators Cable of the 27th, Moore of the 18th and Brown of the 26th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending and congratulating the Georgia Academy for the Blind; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the Georgia Academy for the Blind will celebrate 150 years of continuous
3 operation providing valuable educational services to blind and visually impaired students on
4 April 26, 2002; and
- 5 WHEREAS, operated by the Georgia Department of Education, the Georgia Academy for
6 the Blind enrolls students ages three to 21 who are visually impaired or who have multiple
7 disabilities but do not have sensory impairments; and
- 8 WHEREAS, accredited by the National Accreditation Council and the Southern Association
9 of Colleges and Schools, it is one of only 13 fully accredited schools among the nation's 44
10 residential programs for visually impaired students; and
- 11 WHEREAS, it provides excellent comprehensive services for evaluation and education of
12 students throughout the state of Georgia, vital support to students' families, and outstanding
13 staff development for program leaders; and
- 14 WHEREAS, maintaining a close working association with Rehabilitation Services through
15 the Georgia Department of Labor maximizes employment opportunities for the academy's
16 graduates; and
- 17 WHEREAS, graduates of the academy are employed as college professors, school teachers,
18 university administrators, law school professors, psychologists, business owners, government
19 employees, ministers, lawyers, and judges; and
- 20 WHEREAS, the academy provides valuable disability specific summer programs for students
21 from throughout the state.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
2 congratulate the Georgia Academy for the Blind on the occasion of its sesquicentennial
3 celebration and commend the academy for its exemplary services to students with
4 disabilities.

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
6 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Georgia Academy for the Blind.