

House Resolution 218

By: Representatives Purcell of the 147th, Ray of the 128th, Greene of the 158th, Floyd of the 138th and Teper of the 61st

A RESOLUTION

1 Declaring February 22, 2001, as the "Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities
2 Day" at the Capitol and urging members of the General Assembly and state agency personnel
3 to recognize the outstanding efforts and support the Governor's Council on Developmental
4 Disabilities provides to individuals with disabilities, their families, and the community; and
5 for other purposes.

6 WHEREAS, the Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities was established in 1971
7 in response to federal Developmental Disabilities Services and Facilities Construction
8 Amendments of 1970 (P.L. 91-517); and

9 WHEREAS, the council works in collaboration with consumers, their families, advocacy
10 organizations, and policy makers to enhance the quality of life for people with developmental
11 disabilities and their families; and

12 WHEREAS, the council develops and promotes projects for individuals with developmental
13 disabilities, creating opportunities for greater independence, inclusive education, access to
14 vital information, involvement with diverse communities, and public policy resulting in
15 positive actions for people with developmental disabilities and their families; and

16 WHEREAS, state and local policy makers value their partnership and collaboration with the
17 council and its efforts to create systematic change and a society that values all of its citizens;
18 and

19 WHEREAS, the council supports efforts to create a state that encourages every individual
20 to live to his or her capacity; and

21 WHEREAS, the council seeks to provide opportunities for councilmembers, advocates, and
22 individuals with developmental disabilities to address numerous public policy issues,
23 including accessible housing, supported employment, and long-term care.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
2 GEORGIA that Thursday, February 22, 2001, shall be known as the "Governor's Council
3 on Developmental Disabilities Day" at the Capitol in recognition of the dedicated advocates,
4 individuals with disabilities, and councilmembers and their efforts to support individuals with
5 developmental disabilities and their families to create communities where individuals may
6 live to their fullest potential.

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
8 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Governor's Council on
9 Developmental Disabilities and the Department of Human Resources.