

House Resolution 1291

By: Representative Greene of the 134<sup>th</sup>

### A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Eckerd Youth Alternatives on its over 35 years of community involvement;  
2 and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, it is Eckerd Youth Alternatives' dream to lead the nation in ensuring every child  
4 has the opportunity to succeed; and

5 WHEREAS, this not for profit organization serves at-risk and troubled youth through a range  
6 of residential and community based programs; and

7 WHEREAS, Eckerd Youth Alternatives promotes the well-being of children and families in  
8 nurturing, caring environments and provides behavioral therapy through educational and  
9 social activities; and

10 WHEREAS, Eckerd Youth Alternatives believes in and honors the uniqueness, dignity, and  
11 inherent worth of every individual and embraces innovation, flexibility, reflection, and  
12 continuous improvement; and

13 WHEREAS, Eckerd Youth Alternatives values itself as a proactive team in which  
14 contributions are openly communicated and honored, allowing individuals to thrive in a  
15 culture of learning, personal development, and professional growth, and its programs stress  
16 the acceptance of personal responsibility in order to achieve superior outcomes; and

17 WHEREAS, through caring relationships, children learn to set and achieve goals, to solve  
18 problems, and to take responsibility for their actions and the natural consequences of their  
19 behavior in Eckerd Youth Alternatives programs; and

20 WHEREAS, Eckerd Youth Alternatives has become nationally recognized for its work with  
21 more than 90,000 youth since 1965; and

1 WHEREAS, in 1994, Eckerd Youth Alternatives founded Camp E-Tu-Nake in Blakely,  
2 Georgia; in 1996 founded Camp E-Ma-Laku in Suches, Georgia; and in 2002 founded  
3 Georgia Aftercare in Lawenceville, Georgia.

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
5 the members of this body heartily commend Eckerd Youth Alternatives for its many  
6 contributions to the communities and young people of the State of Georgia.

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 Eckerd Youth Alternatives.