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House Resolution 763

By: Representative Gardner of the 57th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending the Eating Disorders Information Network's School Outreach Program; and
- 2 for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, estimates are that ten million Americans suffer from eating disorders, including
- 4 nine million girls and women and one million boys and men; and
- 5 WHEREAS, eating disorders are associated with substantial psychological problems,
- 6 including depression, substance abuse, and suicide, and can lead to major medical
- 7 complications, including cardiac arrhythmia, cognitive impairment, certain cancers,
- 8 osteoporosis, infertility, and, most seriously, death; and
- 9 WHEREAS, it is reported that eating disorders are increasing in younger age groups with
- 10 children as young as seven years old suffering; and
- 11 WHEREAS, records show that necessary inpatient treatment for eating disorders can cost up
- 12 to \$10,000.00 per week and require a several months' hospital stay; and
- 13 WHEREAS, early intervention is crucial and Atlanta has one of the few organizations
- 14 dedicated to early detection, education, and prevention through the Eating Disorders
- 15 Information Network's School Outreach Program.
- 16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 17 the members of this body hereby recognize and commend the Eating Disorders Information
- 18 Network's School Outreach Program.
- 19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 20 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Eating Disorders
- 21 Information Network's School Outreach Program.