

## Senate Resolution 43

By: Senators Rogers of the 21st and Murphy of the 27th

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing Vanetta Keyes for her outstanding leadership of The Center Helping Obesity  
2 in Children End Successfully, Inc.; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, according to the Institute of Medicine, the national prevalence of obesity in  
4 children is currently at a alarming high; and

5 WHEREAS, when she learned that her own daughter's health was at significant risk because  
6 of weight, Vanetta Keyes created the Center Helping Obesity in Children End Successfully,  
7 Inc. (CHOICES) in 2002 to promote a greater public awareness of the obesity epidemic in  
8 children; and

9 WHEREAS, the mission of CHOICES is to prevent and eliminate childhood obesity by  
10 enabling the young to make better choices as it relates to food and lifestyle by instituting  
11 educational programs that incorporate professional dietitians, personal training, and fun  
12 activities while teaching the importance of exercising and healthy eating; and

13 WHEREAS, CHOICES offers a variety of services, including a successful eight-week fitness  
14 challenge at Body Plex in Woodstock, Georgia, where parents and students participate in  
15 weekly cardio exercise and nutritional education; and

16 WHEREAS, in her efforts to ensure the health of the future leaders of our nation, Vanetta  
17 Keyes has provided an indispensable service to her community as well as to the State of  
18 Georgia.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
20 heartily commend Vanetta Keyes for her diligence, compassion, and conscientious leadership  
21 for the physical and personal growth of Georgia youth.

- 1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 2 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Vanetta Keyes.