

House Resolution 1217

By: Representatives Wilkinson of the 52nd, Geisinger of the 48th, and Lindsey of the 54th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Leadership Sandy Springs on the occasion of its 25th
2 anniversary; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Leadership Sandy Springs was founded in 1986 as a nonprofit organization to
4 prepare citizens within Sandy Springs to assume leadership positions; and

5 WHEREAS, Leadership Sandy Springs' mission is to identify, educate, and develop Sandy
6 Springs leaders and encourage their participation in addressing the needs of their community;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, Leadership Sandy Springs conducts an annual class to bring together
9 individuals from diverse backgrounds to participate in a planned series of program days and
10 activities, learn about the Sandy Springs area, hear from decision makers, interact with
11 elected officials and community leaders, and study issues facing businesses and the changing
12 community; and

13 WHEREAS, Leadership Sandy Springs has graduated close to 700 individuals who are
14 prepared to make the future their responsibility; and

15 WHEREAS, graduates of Leadership Sandy Springs have continued serving their community
16 as elected officials, judges, and government employees; as members of city and community
17 advisory councils, commissions, and task forces; as presidents and board members of
18 nonprofit organizations, schools, and churches; and through ongoing volunteerism; and

19 WHEREAS, the classes have completed 40 annual class projects benefiting the City of Sandy
20 Springs and its citizens; and

21 WHEREAS, Leadership Sandy Springs has for the past ten years conducted the annual
22 Volunteer for a Better Sandy Springs Day which has completed projects each year at 20 sites,

23 including nonprofits, parks, libraries, and public schools with about 500 volunteers
24 participating annually; and

25 WHEREAS, Leadership Sandy Springs is in its eighth year of presenting Sandy Springs
26 Movies by Moonlight, a very successful family friendly outdoor movie series promoting a
27 sense of community; and

28 WHEREAS, Leadership Sandy Springs has launched a Youth Leadership Sandy Springs
29 program for high school sophomores and juniors who live or attend school in Sandy Springs
30 to better prepare them for future civic involvement; and

31 WHEREAS, Leadership Sandy Springs continues to work in partnership with other
32 community organizations and the city for the betterment of the Sandy Springs community;
33 and

34 WHEREAS, Leadership Sandy Springs is celebrating its Silver Anniversary with special
35 programs for alumni to promote their continued community involvement.

36 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
37 the members of this body recognize Leadership Sandy Springs, commend it on its
38 accomplishments over the years, and congratulate the organization on the occasion of its 25th
39 anniversary.

40 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
41 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Leadership Sandy Springs.