

## House Resolution 1720

By: Representatives Smith of the 131<sup>st</sup> and Meadows of the 5<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Georgia on the occasion of its  
2 75th anniversary; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Georgia is the state's largest health care company  
4 and has served Georgians since 1937; and

5 WHEREAS, Blue Cross and Blue Shield proudly serves Georgians and is a civic member  
6 of the community through its many charitable contributions to various nonprofits throughout  
7 the state; and

8 WHEREAS, its goal is to have a positive impact within Georgia's communities and  
9 improving the quality of life when and where it is needed most; and

10 WHEREAS, Blue Cross and Blue Shield has six offices throughout this state, providing  
11 customer service and support and working hard to keep the lights on and its customers  
12 satisfied; and

13 WHEREAS, its success is achieved through its collective efforts and the support of its parent  
14 company, WellPoint, as well as Georgia's communities and its elected officials; and

15 WHEREAS, Blue Cross and Blue Shield has reached many milestones, including the  
16 beginning of its first Blue Plan in Atlanta in 1937; the merging of Columbus and Atlanta  
17 Blue Plans to create BCBSGa, Inc., in 1985; the conversion of BCBSGa into a for profit  
18 structure in 1995; and the transition of BCBSGa into an operating unit of WellPoint Health  
19 Networks, Inc.; and

20 WHEREAS, the company has earned a well-deserved reputation for providing quality  
21 service and health care to communities in Georgia; and

22 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding work of this fine  
23 company and its numerous contributions to the citizens of this state be appropriately  
24 recognized.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
26 the members of this body commend Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Georgia for improving  
27 the lives of Georgians through their excellent health care services and recognize its 75th  
28 anniversary.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
30 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Blue Cross and Blue Shield  
31 of Georgia.