

House Resolution 1736

By: Representative Waites of the 60<sup>th</sup>

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Young Democrats, Lambda Alliance, and Ally Outreach  
2 of the University of Georgia; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the student organizations at the University of Georgia are supporting the  
4 University of Georgia community through their many contributions; and

5 WHEREAS, the Young Democrats stimulate an active interest in governmental affairs in  
6 young people, recruit new members for the Democratic Party, and help acquaint voters with  
7 the issues and the candidates; and

8 WHEREAS, in 2008, the Young Democrats helped register over 6,000 voters in the  
9 Athens-Clark County area as well as staffed and volunteered on campaigns at local and state  
10 levels, including Barack Obama's campaign for President; and

11 WHEREAS, in recognition of their accomplishments, the Young Democrats were named the  
12 2009 Young Democrats of Georgia's State Chapter of the Year, and due to their efforts in  
13 laying the groundwork for the 2010 election, Athens was selected as the location for the 2010  
14 Young Democrats of Georgia annual state-wide convention; and

15 WHEREAS, the Lambda Alliance at the University of Georgia is an influential voice in the  
16 university community that works with administration, faculty, and other student  
17 organizations to ensure that the concerns of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT)  
18 students are represented; and

19 WHEREAS, Lambda has participated in state and national events, including the Atlanta  
20 Pride March, the Atlanta AIDS Walk, and the Millennium March on Washington; and

21 WHEREAS, Lambda sponsors a variety of programs throughout the year to educate the  
22 university community about LGBT issues, including Diversity Awareness Week, the annual  
23 National Coming Out Day, and the semi-annual drag show; and

24 WHEREAS, the Ally Outreach began in 2008 from a campaign started by Lambda Alliance  
25 to reach out to allies of the LGBT community; and

26 WHEREAS, Ally Outreach is a gay rights-centered advocacy group that aims to increase  
27 acceptance of the LGBT community on the UGA campus by facilitating and calling for allies  
28 to accept, advocate, and act; and

29 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the accomplishments of these  
30 organizations be appropriately recognized.

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
32 the members of this body commend the Young Democrats, Lambda Alliance, and Ally  
33 Outreach of the University of Georgia for their selfless contributions and dedicated efforts  
34 for the University of Georgia community.

35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
36 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Young Democrats,  
37 Lambda Alliance, and Ally Outreach of the University of Georgia.