

Senate Resolution 1208

By: Senator Williams of the 19th

### A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the Boys and Girls Clubs of Georgia and commending the Boys and Girls Clubs  
2 of Georgia's 2012 Youth of the Year, Chantil Coleman; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, in small towns and metropolitan areas, youths of this nation are struggling to  
4 create bright futures in the face of crime, substance abuse, low fitness levels, and high  
5 dropout rates; and

6 WHEREAS, the Boys and Girls Clubs encourages young people through all of its programs  
7 and particularly through its Youth of the Year program by promoting and recognizing teens  
8 who have developed sound character, leadership abilities, and a willingness to give back to  
9 their communities; and

10 WHEREAS, the Youth of the Year program recognizes teens for outstanding contributions  
11 to a member's family, school, community, and Boys and Girls Clubs; and

12 WHEREAS, the program acknowledges the personal challenges faced by candidates and the  
13 obstacles individuals have overcome in their lives; and

14 WHEREAS, winners of the Youth of the Year program award are selected on the basis of  
15 scholastic achievement, community service, leadership ability, and the consideration of any  
16 physical, social, or emotional obstacles that they have overcome; and

17 WHEREAS, the winners of this prestigious contest are awarded a \$1,000.00 college  
18 scholarship, with state winners having the opportunity to be selected as Regional Youth of  
19 the Year and National Youth of the Year; and

20 WHEREAS, the 2012 Georgia Youth of the Year represents young people in Georgia and  
21 the over 130,000 young people served by one of the 170 Boys and Girls Clubs state wide;  
22 and

23 WHEREAS, Georgia's 2012 Youth of the Year will be one of nine to compete for the  
24 Southeast Regional Youth of the Year award in early summer of 2012, and it is abundantly  
25 fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of the Georgia 2012 Youth of the  
26 Year be appropriately recognized.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
28 recognize Boys and Girls Clubs of Georgia and commend the Boys and Girls Clubs of  
29 Georgia's 2012 Youth of the Year, Chantil Coleman for a demonstrated commitment to  
30 improving the lives of others and serving as a shining example for all young people in this  
31 state.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
33 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Boys and Girls Clubs of Georgia and  
34 Chantil Coleman.