

## Senate Resolution 1279

By: Senators Millar of the 40th, Albers of the 56th, Shafer of the 48th and Unterman of the 45th

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Atlanta Assistance League on the occasion of their 30th  
2 anniversary; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Atlanta Assistance League was founded in 1982 by a group of 34 women  
4 and started by selling senior citizens' crafts at malls and outdoor markets; and

5 WHEREAS, the Atlanta Assistance League has grown into an organization with over 250  
6 volunteers who have recorded on average more than 45,000 volunteer hours each over the  
7 last four years; and

8 WHEREAS, the Atlanta Assistance League has seven programs that are operated, funded,  
9 and run entirely by 100 percent volunteer efforts; and

10 WHEREAS, the seven programs include Bears for Children, Links to Education, New  
11 Beginnings, Operation School Bell, Shepherd Center Patient Support, Waste Not, and Wee  
12 Help; and

13 WHEREAS, 80 percent of funding for the programs comes from selling gently used  
14 merchandise in their Attic Treasures Thrift Shop, which was named the number one thrift  
15 store in Atlanta in 2011 by a poll conducted by Access Atlanta, WSBtv, and *The Atlanta*  
16 *Journal-Constitution*; and

17 WHEREAS, the Atlanta Assistance League has received the Friends of Children Award for  
18 the School Social Workers of Georgia; and

19 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this  
20 organization be appropriately recognized.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
22 commend the Atlanta Assistance League for 30 years of effective, efficient, unselfish, and  
23 dedicated community service and extend their sincere best wishes for future success.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
25 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Atlanta Assistance League.