

Senate Resolution 440

By: Senator Golden of the 8th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Kids' Chance of Georgia and recognizing its 25th anniversary; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Robert Clyatt, a workers' compensation attorney from Valdosta, Georgia,
4 founded the first Kids' Chance organization in 1988; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Clyatt formed the organization after witnessing the life-shattering impact
6 that a serious workplace injury had on the children of seriously or fatally injured workers,
7 who were now faced with the difficulty of having to fund their own education; and

8 WHEREAS, with the assistance of the Workers' Compensation Section of the Georgia Bar,
9 Mr. Clyatt incorporated Kids' Chance of Georgia and began raising money to fund
10 educational scholarships for the children of injured Georgia workers; and

11 WHEREAS, Kids' Chance of Georgia has reached out to other states, encouraging and
12 assisting them as they establish their own Kids' Chance organizations; and

13 WHEREAS, 25 states have organized Kids' Chance programs that actively provide
14 need-based scholarships to the families of seriously injured workers, and new Kids' Chance
15 organizations are formed each year; and

16 WHEREAS, since 1988, Kids' Chance of Georgia has awarded more than 600 scholarships,
17 raised nearly \$4 million, and established an endowment fund; and

18 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper for the outstanding service of Kids' Chance
19 of Georgia to be appropriately recognized.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
21 commend Kids' Chance of Georgia for its dedication to the welfare of Georgia children and
22 celebrate its 25th anniversary.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
24 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Kids' Chance of Georgia.