## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Assistance League of Atlanta on the occasion of their 31st

2 anniversary; and for other purposes.

- WHEREAS, Assistance League of Atlanta was founded in 1982 by a group of 34 women and
  started by selling senior citizens' crafts at malls and outdoor markets; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Assistance League of Atlanta 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, Assistance League of Atlanta has seven programs that are operated, funded, and
9 run entirely by 100 percent volunteer efforts; and

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

- 12 Help; and
- WHEREAS, 80 percent of funding for the programs comes from selling gently used
  merchandise in their Attic Treasures Thrift Shop, which was named the number one thrift
  store in Atlanta in 2011 by a poll conducted by Access Atlanta, WSBtv, and *The Atlanta Journal-Constitution*; and
- WHEREAS, Assistance League of Atlanta has received the Friends of Children Award forthe School Social Workers of Georgia; and
- WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of thisorganization be appropriately recognized.

- 21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 22 commend Assistance League of Atlanta for 31 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 Assistance League of Atlanta.