

House Resolution 710

By: Representatives Hamilton of the 24th, Carter of the 175th, Black of the 174th, Sharper of the 177th, and Shaw of the 176th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Kids' Chance of Georgia, Inc., on the occasion of its 25th anniversary; and for
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Kids' Chance of Georgia, Inc., is a result of the ideas and passion of Robert
4 Clyatt, a workers' compensation attorney from Valdosta, Georgia, who founded the first Kids'
5 Chance organization in 1988 after witnessing the life-shattering impact that a serious
6 workplace injury had on the children of seriously or fatally injured workers who were now
7 faced with the difficulty of having to fund their own education; and

8 WHEREAS, Kids' Chance of Georgia, Inc., established by the Workers' Compensation
9 Section of the State Bar of Georgia, is celebrating 25 years of service to Georgia employers
10 and workers and their children; and

11 WHEREAS, this amazing organization has thus far raised over \$5 million and awarded over
12 600 scholarships assisting more than 240 children of injured Georgia workers; and

13 WHEREAS, Kids' Chance of Georgia has reached out to other states, serving as a model for
14 sister Kids' Chance organizations that now exist in 30 other states, as well as the national
15 organization, Kids' Chance of America; and

16 WHEREAS, it is organizations like Kids' Chance of Georgia, Inc., and its donors,
17 enthusiastic volunteers, and dedicated board of directors and staff that are making a real
18 difference in the lives of the children of Georgia workers and are a beacon of light for those
19 who have a parent who is seriously or fatally injured at work; and

20 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper for the outstanding service and achievements
21 of Kids' Chance of Georgia, Inc., to be appropriately recognized.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
23 the members of this body commend Kids' Chance of Georgia, Inc., for its dedication to the
24 welfare of the children of Georgia's workers, congratulate it on the occasion of its 25th
25 anniversary, and extend their heartfelt gratitude for all of the outstanding services and
26 assistance it provides in this state and throughout the country.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
28 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Kids' Chance of Georgia,
29 Inc.