

Senate Resolution 759

By: Senator Unterman of the 45th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring and commending the organizations and their staff members of Service Providers
2 Association for Developmental Disabilities and celebrating their day at the Capitol on
3 January 16, 2014; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, Service Providers Association for Developmental Disabilities was created in
5 2002 and is a Georgia nonprofit organization that provides support and services to more than
6 8,000 Georgians with developmental disabilities through its member organizations; and

7 WHEREAS, Service Providers Association for Developmental Disabilities is an organization
8 dedicated to helping its member providers serve citizens with developmental disabilities
9 through advocacy, education, and best practice support, which enables people to become full
10 citizens in their local communities and includes them in managing their lives; and

11 WHEREAS, Service Providers Association for Developmental Disabilities members' staff
12 includes an array of professionals, including direct support professionals, nurses, therapists,
13 and others, who provide individuals with developmental disabilities with quality support
14 through employment and homes of their own, as well as an array of life skill support and
15 other essential support services, helping them achieve the best possible outcomes for their
16 lives; and

17 WHEREAS, Service Providers Association for Developmental Disabilities provides through
18 its member organizations support for Georgia's citizens with developmental disabilities of
19 all ages and regardless of complexity of need; and

20 WHEREAS, a goal of Service Providers Association for Developmental Disabilities is to
21 support organizations and the individuals they serve in maintaining their independence and
22 enhancing their quality of life, ensuring that those Georgians with developmental disabilities
23 are included in all aspects of community life; and

24 WHEREAS, Service Providers Association for Developmental Disabilities and its member
25 organizations recognize that each individual must be treated with respect and dignity and
26 receive the support they need, tailored to their goals and dreams; and

27 WHEREAS, Service Providers Association for Developmental Disabilities and its members
28 also work as a partner with local communities and related Georgia governmental entities.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
30 honor and commend the work of Service Providers Association for Developmental
31 Disabilities, its compassionate organizations, and their vital personnel for the selfless work
32 they do in providing support to Georgians with developmental disabilities and celebrate with
33 them their day at the Capitol on January 16, 2014.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
35 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Service Providers Association for
36 Developmental Disabilities.