

House Resolution 1262

By: Representative Cheokas of the 138<sup>th</sup>

### A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the Physical Therapy Association of Georgia and recognizing Tuesday,  
2 February 25, 2014, as Physical Therapy Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia encourages options for an active and healthy lifestyle; and

4 WHEREAS, the Georgia Chapter of the American Physical Therapy Association speaks in  
5 the best interests of the public in recommending physical therapy by a licensed physical  
6 therapist to maximize physical fitness and a healthy lifestyle; and

7 WHEREAS, the mission of the Physical Therapy Association of Georgia (PTAG) is to  
8 improve the health and quality of life of individuals in society by advancing physical  
9 therapist practice, education, and research and by increasing the awareness and  
10 understanding of the physical therapist's role in Georgia's health services delivery system;  
11 and

12 WHEREAS, physical therapists in Georgia are held to a high educational standard by earning  
13 a doctor of physical therapy degree, state licensure, and continuing competency to provide  
14 examination of and treatment for conditions limiting movement and functional activity as  
15 well as preventing the loss of mobility before it occurs; and

16 WHEREAS, physical therapist assistants complete an associate's degree and are licensed to  
17 provide selected physical therapy treatment under the direction and supervision of physical  
18 therapists; and

19 WHEREAS, the 2,090 members of the Physical Therapy Association of Georgia provide  
20 Georgians with expert neuromusculoskeletal examination and treatment to improve health,  
21 fitness, wellness, and mobility across the lifespan; and

22 WHEREAS, it is estimated more than 496,000 Georgians require the care of a physical  
23 therapist each year.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
25 the members of this body commend the Physical Therapy Association of Georgia and its  
26 members for their continued dedication to promote the health and wellness of Georgia's  
27 citizens through maintaining a high standard of education and practices and recognize  
28 Tuesday, February 25, 2014, as Physical Therapy Day at the state capitol.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
30 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Physical Therapy  
31 Association of Georgia.