

Senate Resolution 1214

By: Senator Unterman of the 45th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending and recognizing the Partnership Against Domestic Violence; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Partnership Against Domestic Violence, a nonprofit, charitable organization
4 originally known as the Council on Battered Women, has provided services for almost 40
5 years to women and children who are victims of domestic violence; and

6 WHEREAS, the agency began as an all-volunteer entity in 1975 in Atlanta and has since
7 grown to become the largest provider of domestic violence services in Georgia through the
8 assistance of grants and generous donations from foundations, businesses, and individuals;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, the Partnership Against Domestic Violence provides two 24-hour emergency
11 shelters or safe homes for victims of domestic violence in Fulton and Gwinnett Counties; and

12 WHEREAS, the Partnership Against Domestic Violence works to end domestic violence by
13 offering safety and shelter for battered women and their children; restoring power,
14 self-sufficiency, and control to domestic violence survivors; and educating the public on the
15 dynamics of domestic violence; and

16 WHEREAS, in addition to providing safe homes for victims, the Partnership Against
17 Domestic Violence also provides many other services, including a 24-hour crisis line;
18 parenting services; children and youth programming to allow children to deal with their
19 feelings about domestic violence; community based services for survivors who may not need
20 safe homes; supportive housing; legal advocacy; community support groups; public benefits
21 assistance; teen dating violence prevention programming; and outreach to the community by
22 offering educational programming to police officers, judges, hospitals, businesses,
23 legislators, child protection agencies, clergy, and the media; and

24 WHEREAS, the Partnership Against Domestic Violence is the largest domestic violence
25 agency in the state of Georgia and a leader in the pursuit of ending domestic violence which
26 affects one in four women during her lifetime; and

27 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding work of this fine
28 organization and its numerous contributions to the citizens of this state be appropriately
29 recognized.

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
31 commend the Partnership Against Domestic Violence for its dedicated efforts in prevention,
32 intervention, and eradication of domestic violence.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
34 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Partnership Against Domestic
35 Violence.