

## House Resolution 119

By: Representatives Dempsey of the 13<sup>th</sup>, Houston of the 170<sup>th</sup>, Sims of the 123<sup>rd</sup>, Hugley of the 136<sup>th</sup>, Abrams of the 89<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring and commending Service Providers Association for Developmental Disabilities  
2 and their member organizations' staff members and celebrating their day at the Capitol on  
3 January 15, 2015; 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 member  
12 organizations' staff includes an array of professionals, including direct support professionals,  
13 nurses, therapists, and others, who provide individuals with developmental disabilities with  
14 quality support through employment and homes of their own, as well as an array of life skill  
15 support and other essential support services, helping them achieve the best possible outcomes  
16 for their 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 by maintaining their independence and  
22 enhancing their quality of life, ensuring that Georgians with developmental disabilities are  
23 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 to partner with local communities and related Georgia governmental entities.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
30 the members of this body honor and commend the work of Service Providers Association for  
31 Developmental Disabilities, its compassionate member organizations, and their vital  
32 personnel for the selfless work they do in providing support to Georgians with developmental  
33 disabilities and celebrate with them their day at the Capitol on January 15, 2015.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
35 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to Service  
36 Providers Association for Developmental Disabilities.