House Resolution 318 By: Representative Carson of the 46th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing February 10, 2015, as Georgia Speech-Language-Hearing Association Day at

2 the state capitol; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, thousands of Georgians are impacted by hearing loss and human 4 communication disorders caused by birth defects or nerve damage, with both adults and 5 children being affected; and

6 WHEREAS, speech-language pathologists, also known as SLPs, are some of the primary
7 health care professionals serving to provide hearing screenings, evaluations, diagnoses,
8 treatments, and management for these hearing losses and communication disorders; and

9 WHEREAS, Georgia has 4,211 licensed SLPs, many of whom belong to the Georgia 10 Speech-Language-Hearing Association, a professional association made up of 11 speech-language pathologists and audiologists helping to advocate for the profession, its 12 members, and the individuals they serve; and

WHEREAS, the Georgia Speech-Language-Hearing Association provides a forum for the exchange of professional information and ideas, including continuing education, to its member speech-language pathologists in this state; and

WHEREAS, Georgia Speech-Language-Hearing Association's members are licensed professionals, with many holding advanced degrees from accredited universities with special training programs, such as education of or the prevention, identification, assessment, and treatment of hearing and communication disorders; and

WHEREAS, Georgia Speech-Language-Hearing Association's members are speech-language
pathologists and audiologists who provide services in various settings, including public
schools, private practices, hospitals, clinics, physicians' offices, universities, and K-12
schools, as well as government and military practices; and

- 24 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
- 25 distinguished organization be appropriately recognized for the health care services its
- 26 members provide to Georgia citizens.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that

- 28 the members of this body commend the Georgia Speech-Language-Hearing Association and
- 29 its members for their many years of tireless, efficient, effective, and dedicated public service
- 30 to Georgians and recognize February 10, 2015, as Georgia Speech-Language-Hearing Day
- 31 at the state capitol.
- 32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 33 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
- 34 Georgia Speech-Language-Hearing Association.