

House Resolution 861

By: Representatives Oliver of the 82nd, Mosby of the 83rd, Jacobs of the 80th, Williams of the 87th, Bennett of the 94th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Day League, formerly known as the DeKalb Rape Crisis Center; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, in the late 1980s, the Decatur Cooperative Ministry produced a report showing
4 that Grady Hospital was seeing 240 DeKalb County sexual assault victims annually and that
5 no services for survivors of sexual assault were available in DeKalb County; and

6 WHEREAS, based on the recommendations of the DCM task force, the Junior League of
7 DeKalb County adopted the project and the DeKalb Rape Crisis Center opened its 24 hour
8 crisis line on October 30, 1989, which service has continued for 25 years; and

9 WHEREAS, the DeKalb Rape Crisis Center began offering in-house services in 1990 with
10 weekly support groups which still continue today; and

11 WHEREAS, in 1990, the DeKalb Rape Crisis Center partnered with DeKalb Medical to
12 provide emergency treatment to sexual assault survivors and gather forensic evidence for use
13 in the prosecution of these crimes; and

14 WHEREAS, in 25 years of operation, the DeKalb Rape Crisis Center has added services such
15 as a speaker's bureau, a court companion program, a curriculum for seventh graders to teach
16 respectful relationships, a Latina outreach program, and a youth program to provide
17 counseling to younger survivors; and

18 WHEREAS, in 2014, ready to begin a new phase of service which reaches beyond the
19 DeKalb community, the DeKalb Rape Crisis Center was renamed Day League to reflect the
20 idea of a new beginning for survivors and the fact that it provides services to survivors all
21 over the State of Georgia.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
23 the members of this body commend Day League for their outstanding service to victims of
24 sexual assault in the State of Georgia.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
26 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to Day
27 League.