

House Resolution 1287

By: Representatives Dempsey of the 13th, England of the 116th, Oliver of the 82nd, Harden of the 148th, Houston of the 170th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and honoring Georgia Family Connection on the occasion of its 25th
2 anniversary and expressing gratitude for their service to the children and families of Georgia;
3 and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, in the early 1990s, conditions for children and families in Georgia were among
5 the worst in the nation, according to the Annie E. Casey Foundation's KIDS COUNT report;
6 and

7 WHEREAS, Georgia Family Connection was established in 1991 by Governor Zell Miller
8 and the Georgia General Assembly to connect and convene key community members
9 committed to improving the well-being of children and families; and

10 WHEREAS, by bringing everyone together, communities are able to better understand and
11 address their most pressing concerns and apply a disciplined approach to collaboration that
12 allows them to make effective use of existing resources and services; and

13 WHEREAS, Georgia Family Connection has received bipartisan support from Georgia's
14 governors and the Georgia General Assembly since its inception; and

15 WHEREAS, Georgia Family Connection is the only state-wide network of its kind in the
16 country, with partners in all 159 counties dedicated to the health and well-being of families
17 and communities; and

18 WHEREAS, the Georgia Family Connection network has been working for 25 years toward
19 measurably better outcomes for everyone in our state; and

20 WHEREAS, if we continue to work together, all Georgians will benefit from the prosperity
21 that comes from having vibrant, healthy families and communities.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
23 the members of this body congratulate Georgia Family Connection on their 25th anniversary
24 and express sincere gratitude for the network's 25 years of dedicated work connecting
25 partners and improving the lives of the children and families of our state.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
27 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
28 Georgia Family Connection.