

## House Resolution 1097

By: Representatives Dubnik of the 29<sup>th</sup>, Barr of the 103<sup>rd</sup>, Powell of the 171<sup>st</sup>, Hawkins of the 27<sup>th</sup>, Watson of the 172<sup>nd</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the YMCAs of Georgia for the important work they do in communities across  
2 the state promoting a healthy spirit, mind, and body; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the YMCAs of Georgia, through the Georgia Alliance of YMCAs, work  
4 collectively to increase their ability to build stronger kids, families, and communities; and

5 WHEREAS, through statewide communication and cooperation, the Georgia Alliance of  
6 YMCAs assists member associations in their work to provide educational and healthful  
7 programming for children, adults, families, and seniors; and

8 WHEREAS, the Georgia Alliance of YMCAs will host its annual State Advocacy Day on  
9 February 8, 2018, in the historic halls of the Georgia State Capitol, so that all 17 YMCA  
10 associations, staff, volunteers, and partners may have the opportunity to meet their local  
11 representatives; and

12 WHEREAS, by educating and engaging policy and decision makers on the YMCA's mission,  
13 history, and programs, State Advocacy Day helps to position the YMCAs of Georgia as  
14 leaders and resources on the topics of early childhood education, health, and wellness; and

15 WHEREAS, the Georgia Alliance of YMCAs establishes partnerships and relationships in  
16 Georgia and with congressional representatives in Washington, D.C., on National Advocacy  
17 Day; and

18 WHEREAS, the Alliance offers support, educational and staff development, advocacy  
19 updates, grant opportunities, and more; and

20 WHEREAS, the Georgia Alliance of YMCAs is made up of 17 YMCA associations with  
21 over 75 facilities throughout our state, including the: Albany YMCA, Athens YMCA,  
22 Metropolitan Augusta YMCA, Bainbridge-Decatur County YMCA, YMCA of Coastal

23 Georgia, YMCA of Metro Atlanta, Metropolitan Columbus YMCA, Georgia Mountains  
24 YMCA, Moultrie YMCA, Rome-Floyd County YMCA, State YMCA of Georgia,  
25 Thomasville YMCA and Youth Center, Tift Area YMCA, Valdosta-Lowndes County  
26 YMCA, YMCAs of Waycross Georgia, YMCA of the Georgia Piedmont, and the West  
27 Broad Street YMCA; and

28 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of these  
29 extraordinary organizations be appropriately recognized.

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
31 the members of this body commend the YMCAs for years of bringing children, adults,  
32 families, and seniors together with state and local partners so that they may continue making  
33 a positive impact in communities across the State of Georgia.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
35 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the  
36 Georgia Alliance of YMCAs.