

Senate Resolution 973

By: Senator Albers of the 56th

#### A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending the STAR House Foundation; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the STAR House Foundation is a nonprofit organization in Roswell, Georgia,  
3 that is making a difference in the lives of at-risk children throughout North Fulton County  
4 by providing them an after-school tutoring and mentoring program; and
- 5 WHEREAS, STAR House was started in 1993 by identifying 24 at-risk children; and
- 6 WHEREAS, the mission of STAR House is to enrich the community by promoting academic  
7 success and by inspiring a desire for lifelong achievement to blossom within the lives of  
8 at-risk children;
- 9 WHEREAS, STAR House provides a safe space where students can form valuable  
10 relationships with their educators and peers; and
- 11 WHEREAS, the Foundation currently serves over 270 children from four different schools,  
12 with a wait list of 154 children, and has a 12:1 student to staff ratio; and
- 13 WHEREAS, STAR House has had 474 volunteers who have served over 3,300 volunteer  
14 hours; and
- 15 WHEREAS, the organization is governed by Board Chair Dan Lastella, along with Nancy  
16 Diamond, Kevin Suchecki, Kari Albers, Jeff Bridges, Danny Broadway, Debbie Brandes,  
17 Jonathan Copsey, Austin Dean, Mickey Deaton, Britt Faunce, Bob Hagan, Judy Hampton,  
18 Roger Hasson, Andy Kadrich, Alex Kaufman, Scott Moscow, Judy Semones, Geoff Smith,  
19 Katha Stuart, and Buff Van Epps; and

20 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the efforts of the STAR House  
21 Foundation toward improving and enriching the lives of the children of this state be  
22 appropriately recognized.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
24 recognize and commend the STAR House Foundation.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
26 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the STAR House  
27 Foundation.