

Senate Resolution 81

By: Senators Miller of the 49th, Burke of the 11th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Kirk of the 13th and Strickland of the 17th

A RESOLUTION

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

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

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

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

12 WHEREAS, the Georgia Alliance of YMCAs establishes partnerships and relationships in
13 Georgia and with congressional representatives in Washington, D.C., on their National
14 Advocacy Day; and

15 WHEREAS, YMCAs are vital parts of Georgia communities that offer support, educational
16 development, career opportunities, advocacy, grants, and so much more; and

17 WHEREAS, the Georgia Alliance of YMCAs is made up of 17 YMCA associations with
18 more than 75 facilities throughout our state, including the Albany YMCA, Athens YMCA,
19 Metropolitan Augusta YMCA, Bainbridge-Decatur County YMCA, YMCA of Coastal
20 Georgia, YMCA of Metro Atlanta, Metropolitan Columbus YMCA, Georgia Mountains
21 YMCA, Moultrie YMCA, Rome-Floyd County YMCA, State YMCA of Georgia,
22 Thomasville YMCA and Youth Center, Tift Area YMCA, Valdosta-Lowndes County

23 YMCA, YMCAs of Waycross Georgia, YMCA of the Georgia Piedmont, and the West
24 Broad Street YMCA; and

25 WHEREAS, the Georgia Alliance of YMCAs will host its annual State Advocacy Day on
26 February 6, 2019, in the historic halls of the Georgia State Capitol, so that all 17 YMCA
27 associations, staff, volunteers, and partners may have the opportunity to meet their local
28 representatives.

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

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
34 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the Georgia
35 Alliance of YMCAs.