

Senate Resolution 734

By: Senator Albers of the 56th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Hemophilia of Georgia's work on behalf of individuals with hemophilia and
2 other inherited bleeding disorders and recognizing February 18, 2020, as Hemophilia of
3 Georgia Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, since 1973, Hemophilia of Georgia, a Sandy Springs-based nonprofit
5 organization, has provided services and support to Georgians who have hemophilia, von
6 Willebrand Disease, and other inherited bleeding disorders; and

7 WHEREAS, Hemophilia of Georgia employs many staff, including pharmacists, nurses, and
8 social workers, to carry out the organization's work and mission; and

9 WHEREAS, Hemophilia of Georgia operates successful pharmacies which have received
10 accreditation from the Accreditation Commission for Health Care Incorporated,
11 demonstrating a commitment to high-quality standards of care; and

12 WHEREAS, Hemophilia of Georgia is the only organization of its type in the state offering
13 medication, outreach nursing and social work services, clinical and research funding, and
14 educational and support activities to these individuals to enhance their care and quality of
15 life; and

16 WHEREAS, Hemophilia of Georgia provides children with these inherited bleeding
17 disorders the ability to attend summer camp at Camp Wannaklot; publishes an
18 award-winning newsletter for clients and their families to keep up to date with advances in
19 treatment; produces *Protocols for the Treatment of Hemophilia and von Willebrand Disease*
20 for physicians and other healthcare providers; offers financial support for hemophilia
21 treatment centers throughout Georgia to ensure that they are fully staffed and equipped; and
22 invests in critical research for these inherited bleeding disorders and their associated
23 complications; and

24 WHEREAS, Hemophilia of Georgia works with the state's Hemophilia Advisory Board,
25 serving as an adviser on the standards of care and treatment for individuals with hemophilia
26 and other inherited bleeding disorders; and

27 WHEREAS, Hemophilia of Georgia partners with many entities, including St. Jude
28 Children's Research Hospital and the Hemophilia of Georgia Center for Bleeding & Clotting
29 Disorders of Emory for research to find a cure for hemophilia; and

30 WHEREAS, Hemophilia of Georgia's reach is beyond the borders of Georgia as a supporter
31 of the World Federation of Hemophilia, working with that entity to provide technical support
32 to hemophilia organizations in developing countries; and

33 WHEREAS, Hemophilia of Georgia serves as a trusted resource to many healthcare
34 providers and insurers providing each with training on bleeding disorders, including
35 appropriate care and treatment, and the organization is recognized nationally and
36 internationally for its work; and

37 WHEREAS, all citizens are encouraged to support Hemophilia of Georgia's efforts to fund
38 initiatives and programs to help families affected by hemophilia and other inherited bleeding
39 disorders.

40 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
41 heartily commend Hemophilia of Georgia, its staff and volunteers and the persons that the
42 organization serves for their work on behalf of individuals with hemophilia and other
43 inherited bleeding disorders in this state, throughout our nation, and around the world and
44 recognize February 18, 2020, as Hemophilia of Georgia Day at the state capitol.

45 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
46 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Hemophilia of
47 Georgia.