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House Resolution 1440

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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending the Associated Builders and Contractors of Georgia for its efforts in making
- 2 Georgia a top state for construction; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, for the first time, Georgia was named the top state in the country for
- 4 construction in the Associated Builders and Contractors' annual Merit Shop Scorecard based
- 5 on policies and programs that strengthen career pathways in construction, encourage
- 6 workforce development, and advocate for fair and open competition on taxpayer-funded
- 7 construction projects; and
- 8 WHEREAS, despite a national skilled labor shortage, Georgia's construction industry
- 9 continues to prosper with nearly all of the state's career and technical education students
- 10 earning a credential or continuing on to a career; and
- 11 WHEREAS, the 2023 Building America Merit Shop Scorecard rates state laws, programs,
- 12 policies, and statistics in seven key categories, and Georgia earned top marks in project labor
- 13 agreements, prevailing wage laws, right-to-work laws, public-private partnerships, and career
- 14 and technical education; and

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15 WHEREAS, Associated Builders and Contractors of Georgia was founded by contractors in

- 16 1971 to promote the merit shop philosophy throughout Georgia; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Associated Builders and Contractors of Georgia is committed to supporting the
- 18 growth of construction professionals in the field and in the office as well as strengthening the
- 19 industry and local community.
- 20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 21 the members of this body commend the Associated Builders and Contractors of Georgia as
- 22 well as its members and staff for their dedication to making Georgia the top state for
- 23 construction.
- 24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
- 26 Associated Builders and Contractors of Georgia.