

Senate Resolution 781

By: Senators Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Albers of the 56th, Rhett of the 33rd, Howard of the 35th, James of the 28th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Georgia Symphony Orchestra for 75 years of exceptional
2 artistry, 20 years of dedication to youth education through the Georgia Youth Symphony
3 Orchestras, and its ongoing commitment to innovation; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, for 75 years, the Georgia Symphony Orchestra (GSO) has been an integral part
5 of the cultural fabric of the State of Georgia, enriching the lives of residents through
6 exceptional performances, community engagement, and a steadfast commitment to making
7 music accessible to all; and

8 WHEREAS, since its founding in 1951, the GSO has brought together professional
9 musicians, dedicated volunteers, and passionate supporters to provide world-class
10 symphonic, jazz, and choral music experiences that inspire, connect, and uplift our
11 community; and

12 WHEREAS, the Georgia Youth Symphony Orchestras (GYSO), founded in 2006 as an
13 educational division of the GSO, has for 20 years nurtured the musical talents of thousands
14 of young people across the region, offering transformative learning opportunities that foster
15 discipline, creativity, and leadership among the next generation; and

16 WHEREAS, under the artistic leadership of Music Director Timothy Verville for the past 10
17 years, the GSO has been recognized for its innovation, artistic excellence, and pioneering
18 programs, including sensory-friendly concerts, family programming, and initiatives that
19 expand access to music for underserved communities; and

20 WHEREAS, the Georgia Symphony Orchestra continues to serve as a cultural ambassador,
21 attracting audiences from across the region, strengthening the local economy, and enhancing
22 the quality of life for residents of all ages through the power of music.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
24 recognize and commend the Georgia Symphony Orchestra for 75 years of dedicated service
25 to our community, 20 years of commitment to youth education through the Georgia Youth
26 Symphony Orchestras, and 10 years of artistic leadership and innovation under Timothy
27 Verville, and extend their deepest gratitude for their invaluable contributions to the cultural
28 vitality of the State of Georgia.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
30 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the Georgia
31 Symphony Orchestra.