

Senate Resolution 73

By: Senators Williams of the 25th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Burns of the 23rd, Strickland of the 42nd, Anderson of the 24th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Georgia Speech-Language-Hearing Association; and for
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Georgia Speech-Language-Hearing Association is a professional
4 organization that supports speech-language pathologists (SLPs), audiologists, and speech,
5 language, and hearing scientists in the State of Georgia and works to advance the interests
6 of those professions and the public through education, mentoring, advocacy, resources, and
7 service to ensure communication for all; and

8 WHEREAS, many Georgians have communication disorders, language impairment or
9 hearing disorders, or swallowing and feeding disorders; and

10 WHEREAS, many of these disorders are caused by various things such as genetics, age,
11 injury, disease and illness, and noise exposure; and

12 WHEREAS, SLPs and audiologists are among the health care professionals providing
13 hearing screenings, evaluations, diagnoses, treatments, and management for these hearing
14 losses as well as communication and swallowing disorders; and

15 WHEREAS, many of the professionals of the Georgia Speech-Language-Hearing
16 Association serve Georgia's most vulnerable through the Medicaid, PeachCare for Kids, and
17 Babies Can't Wait programs; and

18 WHEREAS, the Georgia Speech-Language-Hearing Association's members are licensed
19 professionals, many of whom hold advanced degrees from accredited universities with
20 special training programs; and

21 WHEREAS, the Georgia Speech-Language-Hearing Association's members may be found
22 providing services in various settings, including hospitals, nursing homes, rehabilitation
23 centers, clinics, physicians' offices, private practices, client homes, pre-K through grade 12
24 schools, universities, and government and military practices; and

25 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
26 distinguished organization be appropriately honored for the health care and educational
27 services its members provide to Georgia's citizens.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
29 recognize and commend the Georgia Speech-Language-Hearing Association and its members
30 for their many years of tireless, efficient, effective, and dedicated service to the citizens of
31 this state as well as extend best wishes for continued success.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
33 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the Georgia
34 Speech-Language-Hearing Association.