

House Resolution 204

By: Representatives Cooper of the 45th, Paris of the 142nd, Scoggins of the 14th, Silcox of the 53rd, and Lumsden of the 12th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing Hemophilia of Georgia; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Hemophilia of Georgia is a nationally and internationally recognized nonprofit
3 based in Sandy Springs that provides services and support to Georgians who have
4 hemophilia, von Willebrand Disease, and other inherited bleeding disorders; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Hemophilia of Georgia began its work in 1973; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Hemophilia of Georgia continues to meet its goal to help those who have
7 bleeding disorders live as normally and productively as possible; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Hemophilia of Georgia also serves as a member of the World Federation of
9 Hemophilia, enhancing the health and wellness of the bleeding disorder community by
10 providing comprehensive health care, education, advocacy, and support of research; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Hemophilia of Georgia is in receipt of six-star status by the National
12 Hemophilia Foundation and is recognized as a Chapter of Excellence; and

13 WHEREAS, Hemophilia of Georgia employs numerous professionals, including
14 pharmacists, nurses, and social workers, to provide critical services to its clients; and

15 WHEREAS, Hemophilia of Georgia provides specialized pharmacy services, outreach
16 nursing services, social support services, clinic and research funding, information,
17 educational services, and activities and programs to enhance care and quality of life for
18 people with bleeding disorders and their families; and

19 WHEREAS, Hemophilia of Georgia's specialty pharmacies have dual accreditation from the
20 Accreditation Commission for Health Care, Incorporated (ACHC) and the Utilization
21 Review Accreditation Commission, Incorporated (URAC), demonstrating a commitment to
22 high-quality standards of care; and

23 WHEREAS, Hemophilia of Georgia provides children with inherited bleeding disorders the
24 ability to live more normal lives, including opportunities to attend summer camp at Camp
25 Wannaklot; and

26 WHEREAS, Hemophilia of Georgia publishes an award-winning newsletter for its clients
27 and their families to educate them on advances in treatment; produces *Protocols for the*
28 *Treatment of Hemophilia and von Willebrand Disease* for physicians and other health care
29 providers; offers financial support for hemophilia treatment centers throughout Georgia to
30 ensure that they are fully staffed and equipped; and invests in critical research for inherited
31 bleeding disorders and their associated complications; and

32 WHEREAS, Hemophilia of Georgia partners with many entities, including St. Jude
33 Children's Research Hospital and the Aflac Cancer and Blood Disorders Center at Emory

34 University, for research to find a cure for hemophilia and to help end the bleeding disorders
35 affecting citizens; and

36 WHEREAS, Hemophilia of Georgia is a trusted resource to many health care providers and
37 insurers providing training on bleeding disorders, including appropriate care and treatment.

38 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
39 the members of this body extend a warm greeting to Hemophilia of Georgia, its staff and
40 volunteers, and the persons that the organization serves and convey to them this legislative
41 body's heartiest commendation for their work on behalf of those individuals with hemophilia
42 and other inherited bleeding disorders in this state, throughout our nation, and around the
43 world.

44 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
45 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
46 Hemophilia of Georgia.