

Senate Resolution 253

By: Senators Kennedy of the 18th, Jones II of the 22nd, Gooch of the 51st, Jackson of the 41st, Robertson of the 29th and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing March 11, 2025, as Georgia Linemen Day; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Georgia's linemen are dedicated professionals who work tirelessly to ensure that
3 electrical power is restored to homes and communities during times of crisis, often under
4 dangerous and challenging conditions; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Georgia's linemen play an essential part in maintaining the state's power
6 infrastructure, ensuring the safety and well-being of Georgians before and after natural
7 disasters, storms, and other events; and
- 8 WHEREAS, during Hurricane Helene, a devastating hurricane that ravaged multiple areas
9 of Georgia, linemen were on the front lines, sometimes working up to 18-hour days in
10 hazardous conditions to restore power to thousands of residents in the wake of widespread
11 outages caused by downed power lines and infrastructure damage; and
- 12 WHEREAS, more than 8,000 women and men worked long hours in the aftermath of
13 Hurricane Helene, often in high winds and rain, demonstrating extraordinary courage,
14 resilience, and commitment to their communities as well as ensuring that power was restored
15 as quickly and safely as possible to support recovery efforts; and

16 WHEREAS, the swift and efficient restoration of electrical services by Georgia's linemen
17 during and after Hurricane Helene was critical in enabling the recovery process, providing
18 relief to those affected by power outages, and ensuring the safety of residents and first
19 responders in the storm's aftermath; and

20 WHEREAS, Georgia's linemen continue to be instrumental in maintaining the state's
21 electrical infrastructure and responding to emergencies, including hurricanes and severe
22 storms, ensuring that Georgia's communities remain resilient in the face of natural disasters;
23 and

24 WHEREAS, our linemen's dedication to service exemplifies the values of hard work,
25 teamwork, and selflessness, making them unsung heroes during times of crisis; and

26 WHEREAS, it is fitting that the contributions of Georgia's linemen be recognized and
27 celebrated for their vital role in safeguarding the state's residents and infrastructure during
28 and after natural disasters, including Hurricane Helene.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
30 recognize March 11, 2025, as Georgia Linemen Day to honor and celebrate the exceptional
31 efforts of Georgia's linemen, past and present, in their ongoing commitment to public service
32 and the protection of our state's residents.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
34 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the public and the
35 press.