

Senate Resolution 428

By: Senators Parent of the 44th, Brass of the 6th, Jackson of the 41st, Strickland of the 42nd, Anderson of the 43rd and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending the Lopez family; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the Lopez family's unwavering resilience in the face of adversity demonstrates
3 their outstanding strength and determination to fight for what is right; and
- 4 WHEREAS, despite being denied a second medical opinion, being criminally charged, and
5 losing custody of their children due to false accusations, the Lopez family remained united
6 in the pursuit of justice; and
- 7 WHEREAS, through tireless advocacy, they not only fought for the return of their own
8 children but also worked to change the legal system, ensuring that other families would not
9 have to endure the same hardship; and
- 10 WHEREAS, through the family's perseverance and determination, all charges on them were
11 dismissed, leaving a legacy that serves as an example of hope and optimism for families in
12 similar situations; and

13 WHEREAS, Kelly Lopez's testimony was instrumental in advocating for the implementation
14 of Georgia Senate Bill 259, that provides updated procedures for when a family is suspected
15 of abuse or neglect; and

16 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the contributions of this family be
17 appropriately honored.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
19 recognize and commend the Lopez family for their tireless advocacy on behalf of families
20 in the State of Georgia.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
22 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the Lopez Family.