

House Resolution 1227

By: Representative Stephens of the 164th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Dr. Gasper Lazzara; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Dr. Gasper Lazzara has established a glowing reputation throughout the state
3 of Georgia as the cofounder of the Georgia School of Orthodontics (GSO); and
- 4 WHEREAS, the GSO, founded in Atlanta, Georgia, in 2016, is an accredited, 36-month
5 residency program focusing on specialized orthodontic education and patient-centered care;
6 and
- 7 WHEREAS, Dr. Lazzara is a Florida native and received his Doctor of Dental Surgery from
8 Emory University in 1966; and
- 9 WHEREAS, he received his Certificate in Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics from
10 the American Association of Orthodontists Supervised Preceptorship Program in 1969; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Dr. Lazzara joins GSO with more than 40 years of experience in the field of
12 orthodontics, including maintaining private orthodontic practices for 25 years and serving
13 as the founder, CEO, director, and chairman of the world's largest orthodontic management
14 company, Orthodontic Centers of America from 1985-2001; and

15 WHEREAS, Dr. Lazzara retired as a Diplomat of the American Board of Orthodontics as
16 well as a member of both the American Association of Orthodontists and the Southern
17 Society of Orthodontists; and

18 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper to honor the achievements of this remarkable
19 individual.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
21 the members of this body recognize and commend Dr. Gasper Lazzara and extend their
22 sincere best wishes for his continued health, happiness, and success.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
24 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Dr.
25 Gasper Lazzara.