

House Resolution 1228

By: Representative Stephens of the 164<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Christopher M. Lazzara; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Christopher M. Lazzara has established a glowing reputation throughout the  
3 state of Georgia as a passionate and dedicated entrepreneur, philanthropist, and community  
4 leader; and

5 WHEREAS, Christopher Lazzara founded MountainStar Partners in 2013, and as Chief  
6 Executive Officer, he diligently leads the firm's investment committee, directs investment  
7 strategy, and continues to oversee all major initiatives for the company and its subsidiaries;  
8 and

9 WHEREAS, in addition to overseeing the growth and success of MountainStar Partners,  
10 Christopher Lazzara also co-founded the Georgia School of Orthodontics, in 2016, with his  
11 father, Dr. Gasper Lazzara; and

12 WHEREAS, he is a permanent member of the Executive Committee of the Georgia School  
13 of Orthodontics' Board of Trustees and serves as Chair of the School's Finance and Facilities  
14 Committees; and

15 WHEREAS, Christopher Lazzara has proudly served in leadership with various prestigious  
16 organizations including the MaliVai Washington Youth Foundation, the University of North  
17 Florida, the Lazzara Family Foundation, the Cultural Council of Greater Jacksonville, and  
18 the American Cancer Society; and

19 WHEREAS, in response to his 6-month-old daughter experiencing symptoms of an rare and  
20 incurable pediatric disease, Christopher Lazzara founded the Isa Elaine Foundation which  
21 is committed to sharing research, clinical application, and financial resources to help other  
22 patients experiencing similar challenges; and

23 WHEREAS, Christopher Lazzara is a person of magnanimous strengths with an  
24 unimpeachable reputation for dedicated leadership, integrity, intelligence, fairness, and  
25 kindness.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
27 the members of this body recognize and commend Christopher M. Lazzara and extend their  
28 sincere best wishes for his continued health, happiness, and success.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
30 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to  
31 Christopher M. Lazzara.