

House Resolution 1378

By: Representatives Townsend of the 179th, Au of the 50th, Hawkins of the 27th, Gullett of the 19th, McDonald III of the 26th, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing February 20, 2026, as Donor Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, nearly 2,600 Georgians provided the gift of renewed or improved life through
3 organ, eye, and tissue donation during 2025, including 229 who chose to become living
4 kidney donors, saving and improving the lives of tens of thousands through organ, eye, and
5 tissue transplantation; and
- 6 WHEREAS, these generous gifts were facilitated by organ, eye, and tissue recovery and
7 transplant organizations in Georgia that work together to educate the public about the
8 importance of organ, eye, and tissue donation as Donate Life Georgia; and
- 9 WHEREAS, LifeLink of Georgia partners with hospitals to support and guide families as
10 they establish their loved one's legacy through organ and tissue donation and honor each
11 donor by saving and improving the lives of as many patients as possible; and
- 12 WHEREAS, LifeLink of Georgia and member organizations of Donate Life Georgia
13 encourage individuals to register their decision to save lives by joining the Donate Life
14 Georgia organ, eye, and tissue donor registry while obtaining a driver's license, online at

15 www.DonateLifeGeorgia.org, or when obtaining a hunting or fishing license through the
16 Department of Natural Resources; and

17 WHEREAS, LifeLink of Georgia and member organizations of Donate Life Georgia are
18 working tirelessly to ensure that the nearly 3,300 Georgians currently awaiting an organ
19 transplant receive a second chance at life; and

20 WHEREAS, by celebrating Donor Day at the state capitol and sharing the Donate Life
21 message, we can save and heal more lives and honor donors' legacies of generosity and
22 compassion; and

23 WHEREAS, we recognize those who have given the gift of life, both after death and through
24 living donation, those who have received the gift of life through organ, eye, and tissue
25 donation, those who are currently waiting for a lifesaving transplant, and those who died
26 waiting because an organ was not gifted in time.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
28 the members of this body commend the selfless individuals and their families who make
29 donation possible; commend the member organizations of Donate Life Georgia for their
30 tireless dedication to educating Georgians about and saving lives through organ, eye, and
31 tissue donation; and recognize February 20, 2026, as Donor Day at the state capitol.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
33 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
34 LifeLink of Georgia.