

## Senate Resolution 902

By: Senators Halpern of the 39th, Wicks of the 34th, Albers of the 56th, Hatchett of the 50th and Anavitarte of the 31st

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Goodwill of North Georgia upon its 100th anniversary; and  
2 for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Goodwill of North Georgia is a nonprofit organization that was founded in  
4 Atlanta, Georgia, in 1925 by local citizens committed to supporting job seekers and  
5 promoting community empowerment—this year, the organization is celebrating 100 years  
6 of service in the State of Georgia; and

7 WHEREAS, Goodwill of North Georgia's mission is to "put people to work" by providing  
8 job training, placement services, and workforce development programs funded through the  
9 sale of donated goods, thereby creating pathways to economic stability and self-sufficiency;  
10 and

11 WHEREAS, over the course of its century of service, Goodwill of North Georgia has made  
12 a profound impact on communities throughout the state by serving more than 700,000  
13 Georgians and facilitating over 300,000 job placements through its career centers and  
14 employment programs; and

15 WHEREAS, Goodwill of North Georgia has expanded its reach to serve a 45-county region  
16 in North Georgia and currently operates more than 70 retail stores, over 40 donation centers,  
17 and 14 career centers dedicated to workforce development and economic opportunity; and

18 WHEREAS, Goodwill of North Georgia has demonstrated leadership and innovation in  
19 workforce development, including the opening of its first career center in 1995, and has been  
20 recognized as the top-performing Goodwill organization nationally for job placements; and

21 WHEREAS, the organization's work generates nearly \$1 billion in annual economic impact  
22 in Georgia, underscoring the critical role it plays in strengthening the state's workforce,  
23 supporting employers, and uplifting individuals and families across diverse communities.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
25 recognize and commend Goodwill of North Georgia upon its 100th anniversary and extend  
26 their sincere appreciation for a century of service, leadership, and commitment to putting  
27 Georgians to work.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
29 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Goodwill of North  
30 Georgia.