

## Senate Resolution 930

By: Senators Anavitarte of the 31st and Kemp of the 38th

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the Latin American Association and recognizing March 10, 2026, as LAA  
2 Day; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Latin American Association (LAA) has, since its founding in 1972, served  
4 as the preeminent organization supporting Georgia's Latino community, providing culturally  
5 responsive services that empower Latinos to adapt, integrate, and thrive; and

6 WHEREAS, the LAA has expanded over 54 years into a comprehensive,  
7 community-anchored organization offering vital services including economic empowerment,  
8 youth development, immigration legal assistance, family stabilization, and crisis intervention,  
9 ensuring that thousands of Georgia residents have access to resources and support; and

10 WHEREAS, Georgia is home to a rapidly growing Latino population whose cultural, civic,  
11 and economic contributions strengthen the state's prosperity and workforce, and the LAA's  
12 wrap-around model of services continues to play a critical role in supporting this growth and  
13 in fostering a thriving, inclusive Georgia; and

14 WHEREAS, the LAA's Family Services and Well-Being programs provide comprehensive  
15 support to low-income Latino families by addressing urgent needs such as housing

16 instability, food insecurity, financial hardship, and domestic violence prevention, offering  
17 bilingual crisis intervention, resource navigation, and direct assistance that stabilizes  
18 households and strengthens community well-being across Georgia; and

19 WHEREAS, the organization provides Economic Empowerment programs, including  
20 workforce development, ESL instruction, entrepreneurial training, and job fairs, supporting  
21 thousands of individuals each year in building long-term financial stability and contributing  
22 to Georgia's economic vibrancy; and

23 WHEREAS, the LAA's Youth Services programs cultivate the next generation of Latino  
24 leaders by providing mentorship, academic support, leadership development, and large-scale  
25 educational events that promote pathways to college and career success; and

26 WHEREAS, the LAA serves as a trusted partner to civic, corporate, nonprofit, and  
27 governmental institutions statewide, consistently demonstrating impact through community  
28 partnerships which expand the LAA's impact and exemplify the power of  
29 community-centered collaboration; and

30 WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper to recognize March 10, 2026, as LAA Day for the  
31 decades of meaningful service, leadership, and dedication to advancing opportunity for all  
32 residents of the State of Georgia.

33 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
34 commend the Latin American Association and recognize March 10, 2026, as LAA Day.

35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
36 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the Latin  
37 American Association.