

Senate Resolution 931

By: Senators Hufstetler of the 52nd, Payne of the 54th, Albers of the 56th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd and Anavitarte of the 31st

### A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing March 10, 2026, as Qcells Day; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Qcells is a global leader in delivering complete energy solutions and is widely  
3 recognized as a trusted, high-quality United States solar manufacturer and energy provider;  
4 and

5 WHEREAS, Qcells has led efforts to establish a domestic, secure, and vertically integrated  
6 supply chain while making the largest investment in United States solar energy  
7 manufacturing to date; and

8 WHEREAS, in 2019, Qcells built the largest solar panel manufacturing facility of its kind  
9 in the Western Hemisphere in Dalton, Georgia; and

10 WHEREAS, since then, Qcells has expanded its Dalton factory and, in 2023, announced  
11 plans to invest a record-breaking \$2.5 billion to build the only vertically integrated solar  
12 supply chain factory in the United States, located in Cartersville, Georgia; and

13 WHEREAS, Qcells began the construction of an advanced manufacturing facility in  
14 Cartersville, Georgia, which will onshore critical steps of the solar supply chain nearly

15 monopolized by China, including ingot, wafer, solar cell, and final solar module production;  
16 and

17 WHEREAS, when its Cartersville factory is complete in 2026, Qcells and its affiliated  
18 Georgia facilities will have a combined annual solar panel production capacity of 8.4 GW  
19 and support more than 4,000 manufacturing jobs in Georgia; and

20 WHEREAS, across the Georgia counties where Qcells operates, the company's presence  
21 generates an estimated 6,755 jobs annually through direct, indirect, and induced employment  
22 and drives more than \$2 billion in economic output—this impact underscores the substantial  
23 economic value that domestic solar manufacturers like Qcells bring to local communities and  
24 to the broader American economy; and

25 WHEREAS, despite Qcells' recent arrival to Whitfield County, it is the No. 1 user of the port,  
26 importing three times the amount of inputs than our next largest manufacturer; and

27 WHEREAS, Qcells' investments in American-made energy are why it's ready to meet both  
28 growing energy demand and cost concerns across the State of Georgia; and

29 WHEREAS, Georgia's elected officials continue to prioritize and invest in energy  
30 affordability for hardworking Georgians with technology that is made in America; and

31 WHEREAS, Georgia's elected officials have also prioritized creating good manufacturing  
32 jobs, which has resulted in incredible investment from not only Qcells but also other  
33 companies focused on building the next generation of energy in the Peach State; and

34 WHEREAS, Georgia will require a mix of energy resources to meet its projected 36,000 MW  
35 of new demand, which is why it is critical to utilize quick-to-power Georgia-made energy  
36 that also supports Georgia's manufacturing jobs.

37 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
38 recognize March 10, 2026, as Qcells Day in honor of the investments that Qcells has made  
39 in the State of Georgia.

40 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
41 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the public and the  
42 press.