

## House Resolution 1707

By: Representatives Gunter of the 8<sup>th</sup>, Powell of the 33<sup>rd</sup>, Erwin of the 32<sup>nd</sup>, Dubnik of the 29<sup>th</sup>, Williams of the 148<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Encouraging the creation of the Georgia Legislative Golf Caucus; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the game of golf plays a significant role in the economy, tourism industry, and  
3 cultural identity of the State of Georgia; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Georgia is home to some of the most recognized golf destinations in the world  
5 and hosts globally recognized tournaments, such as the Masters Tournament, Tour  
6 Championship, and numerous PGA and USGA Championships; and
- 7 WHEREAS, the golf industry in Georgia supports thousands of jobs across course  
8 operations, hospitality, tourism, manufacturing, turf management, and youth development  
9 programs; and
- 10 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia has invested in the future of golf across the state through  
11 state parks and public golf courses, which serve as an instrumental tool in communities and  
12 for visitors to our state parks; and
- 13 WHEREAS, golf serves as an important platform for youth engagement, workforce  
14 development, and outdoor recreation across communities throughout this state; and

15 WHEREAS, many organizations across Georgia promote youth golf participation, including  
16 programs such as First Tee, US Kids Golf, PGA Jr. League, and initiatives supported by the  
17 Georgia State Golf Association; and

18 WHEREAS, the members of the General Assembly recognize the value of promoting  
19 policies that support outdoor recreation, youth development, tourism, and economic growth  
20 associated with the golf industry.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
22 members of this body encourage the creation of the Georgia Legislative Golf Caucus.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:

24 (1) Membership in the Georgia Legislative Golf Caucus shall be voluntary and open to all  
25 members of the General Assembly;

26 (2) The caucus shall elect a chairperson and vice chairperson from among its members and  
27 may adopt additional procedures as necessary for the conduct of its activities; and

28 (3) The caucus may collaborate with organizations, courses, tourism entities, and youth  
29 programs across Georgia to advance the mission of the caucus.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
31 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to  
32 appropriate stakeholders within the Georgia golf community.