

House Resolution 43EX

By: Representatives Santos of the 117th, Roberts of the 52nd, Lim of the 98th, Drenner of the 85th, Hugley of the 141st, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the growing danger that artificial intelligence deepfakes pose to election
2 integrity, public trust, and the people of Georgia; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, artificial intelligence can now generate fabricated images, audio, and video that
4 are nearly impossible to tell apart from authentic recordings of real people, placing words in
5 a person's mouth they never spoke and actions on a person they never took; and

6 WHEREAS, these fabrications, commonly known as deepfakes, pose a direct threat to the
7 integrity of our elections, the reputations of those who step forward to serve, and the trust of
8 the voters who depend on the truth to govern themselves; and

9 WHEREAS, a fabricated image released in the final days of a campaign can reach thousands
10 of voters before the truth ever has a chance to catch up; and

11 WHEREAS, candidates and elected officials in this state have already been targeted by
12 fabricated, AI-generated content created to deceive voters and damage reputations; and

13 WHEREAS, the same technology that threatens our elections also threatens survivors of
14 abuse, our seniors, and our children, any of whom can be made to appear to say or do
15 something they never did; and

16 WHEREAS, thirty states have already enacted laws addressing the use of deepfakes in
17 elections, most requiring clear disclosure of AI-generated content in political
18 communications, and Georgia is not yet among them; and

19 WHEREAS, the people of Georgia have a right to know whether what they see and hear
20 about those who seek to serve them is real, and no Georgian, regardless of party, position,
21 or place, should have their voice stolen and their name dishonored by a machine; and

22 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia has a compelling interest in protecting the truth, defending
23 the integrity of its elections, and shielding its citizens from deliberate deception.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
25 the members of this body encourage the study and enactment of legislation to require clear
26 disclosure of AI-generated content in political communications and to provide meaningful
27 recourse for Georgians harmed by deceptive deepfakes in our elections.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of this body recognize the serious and
29 growing danger that artificial intelligence deepfakes pose to election integrity, public trust,
30 and the people of Georgia as well as affirm their commitment to protecting Georgia voters
31 from fabricated and deceptive AI-generated content.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
33 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
34 public and the press.