House Resolution 1064

By: Representatives Wiedower of the 121<sup>st</sup>, Gambill of the 15<sup>th</sup>, Erwin of the 32<sup>nd</sup>, Dubnik of the 29<sup>th</sup>, Gaines of the 120<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

Recognizing and commending the Georgia Center for Civic Engagement and Engage Club
 programs, which sponsor Youth Assembly among other programs that cultivate youth civic
 engagement; and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, the Georgia Youth Assembly is a model state legislature for high school
students in which students serve as legislators, justices, attorneys, press corps members, and
lobbyists; and

7 WHEREAS, participants in the Youth Assembly may run for the offices of Youth Governor,
8 Lt. Governor, and Speaker of the House; and

9 WHEREAS, students participating in the Youth Assembly are also given the opportunity to
10 explore the role the media plays in government by participating in the production of a daily
11 newspaper; and

WHEREAS, established in 1946, the Youth Assembly conference takes place in the historic
halls of the Georgia State Capitol, providing participants with an experience of a lifetime;
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16 for Civic Engagement celebrates more than 95 years of excellence and tradition; and

17 WHEREAS, the 79th Youth Assembly was made up of many bright and eager young leaders, 18 including Youth Governor Allison Waltman of Watkinsville; Lt. Governor Aarayan 19 Kolsawala of Duluth; Speaker of the House Sara Mitchell of Watkinsville; President Pro 20 Tem Riyana Bhatt of Bogart; Speaker Pro Tem Clay Disharoon of Dawsonville; Chief 21 Justice Rohan Patel of Watkinsville; Associate Justice Addison Boyer of Madison; Associate 22 Justice Brady Hawkins of Watkinsville; Associate Justice Judah Whaley of Jonesboro; 23 Secretary of the Senate Ben Caswell of Cartersville; Senate Floor Leader Katia Busch of 24 Bogart; Clerk of the House Emalee Collins of Armuchee; and House Floor Leader Karley 25 Mercer of Cumming; and

WHEREAS, the 80th Youth Assembly was made up of many bright and eager young leaders,
including Youth Governor Mary Eloise Tymchuk of Gainesville, Lt. Governor Andre
Williams of Thomasville, and Speaker of the House Kennedy Wiedower of Watkinsville; and

WHEREAS, the Youth Assembly allows students to experience firsthand the excitement and importance behind the legislative process and better understand the complexity of the lawmaking process in this state.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
 the members of this body commend the Center for Civic Engagement's Georgia Youth
 Assembly for 80 years of teaching Georgia's future leaders the legislative and state
 government process.

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- 36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 37 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
- 38 Georgia Center for Civic Engagement.