

House Resolution 1448

By: Representatives Oliver of the 82nd, Boddie of the 62nd, Anulewicz of the 42nd, Gardner of the 57th, Cannon of the 58th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing March 16, 2020, as Birth Safety Awareness Day at the state capitol in
2 recognition of Kason Choice and Robin Rohe-Oji, two children in recovery from severe birth
3 injuries, and their families; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, infants can experience unintentional injury during their birth, even within a
5 skilled medical setting; and

6 WHEREAS, owing to the trauma and difficulty of childbirth, some birth injuries can be
7 disabling, including skull fractures, cerebral palsy, permanent arm paralysis, hip dislocation,
8 clavicle fractures, and other conditions; and

9 WHEREAS, the exact number of infants injured during birth remains unknown in Georgia;
10 and

11 WHEREAS, there is also a high risk for maternal mortality in Georgia due to lack of
12 infrastructure, inaccessible prenatal care, and an inadequate health care provider work force;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, there has not been a detailed exploration of the possible poor outcomes for
15 maternal and child health, such as birth injury, that may be caused by the aforementioned
16 factors; and

17 WHEREAS, because birth injuries are not studied in Georgia, there may be missed
18 opportunities to prevent childhood suffering and permanent disability.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
20 the members of this body recognize March 16, 2020, as Birth Safety Awareness Day at the
21 state capitol in recognition of Kason Choice and Robin Rohe-Oji, two children in recovery
22 from severe birth injuries, and their families.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
24 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
25 families of Kason Choice and Robin Rohe-Oji.