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House Resolution 173

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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing February 13 to 17, 2023, as COAGE Senior Week; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, in 1977, the State of Georgia authorized the establishment of the Georgia
- 3 Council on Aging (GCOA) to serve as trusted advisors to the state's leadership regarding
- 4 areas of concern being faced by Georgia's elderly citizens; and
- 5 WHEREAS, the Coalition of Advocates for Georgia's Elderly (COAGE) was established by
- 6 the council to provide a means through which members of the aging network could
- 7 collaborate and identify the most pressing issues facing seniors all across our state; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Georgia's 1.5 million citizens aged 65 and older represent 14.7 percent of the
- 9 state's population and are the fastest growing segment of the population; these citizens
- 10 provide invaluable resources and contributions to the overall position Georgia holds as one
- of the best places to live; and
- WHEREAS, in recognition of the advocacy efforts of its members, COAGE invites citizens
- 13 to participate in events each year during a designated week designed to highlight the
- 14 partnerships and support provided by the leadership of this state, as well as to provide

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15 members of the aging community the opportunity to come together to celebrate and recognize

- 16 the contributions of Georgia's seniors.
- 17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 18 the members of this body recognize February 13 to 17, 2023, as COAGE Senior Week.
- 19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
- 21 public and the press.