

House Resolution 305

By: Representatives Cannon of the 58th, Kausche of the 50th, Hutchinson of the 107th, Marin of the 96th, and Lopez of the 86th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Jerry Gonzalez; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Jerry Gonzalez has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the
3 important role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the
4 welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

5 WHEREAS, he has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,
6 talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state, as evidenced by his
7 superlative service as the CEO of the Georgia Association of Latino Elected Officials
8 (GALEO) and the GALEO Latino Community Development Fund (GLCDF); and

9 WHEREAS, founded in 2003, GALEO's mission is to increase civic engagement and
10 leadership development of the Latino/Hispanic community in Georgia; and

11 WHEREAS, under Jerry's leadership, the GALEO Institute for Leadership program has
12 become a flagship leadership development institution for the Latino and immigrant
13 community in Georgia, equipping more than 600 community members with skills to serve
14 their communities; and

15 WHEREAS, one of the most notable accomplishments during Jerry's tenure was the
16 successful effort to implement Spanish language materials for voters in Gwinnett County;
17 and

18 WHEREAS, Jerry's significant organizational and leadership talents, remarkable patience
19 and diplomacy, keen sense of vision, and sensitivity to the needs of the citizens of this state
20 have earned him the respect and admiration of his colleagues and associates; and

21 WHEREAS, he is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for
22 integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and

23 WHEREAS, Jerry has served with honor and distinction with GALEO, and his vision and
24 unyielding commitment to the empowerment of his fellow citizens have set the standard for
25 civic service; and

26 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments and
27 contributions of this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
29 the members of this body recognize and commend Jerry Gonzalez for his efficient, effective,
30 unselfish, and dedicated service to the State of Georgia and extend the most sincere best
31 wishes for continued health and happiness.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
33 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Jerry
34 Gonzalez.