

House Resolution 698

By: Representatives Gambill of the 15th, Parrish of the 158th, Carpenter of the 4th, Wiedower of the 121st, and Douglas of the 78th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending the Georgia Center for Civic Engagement and Engage Club
2 programs, which sponsor Youth Assembly among other programs that cultivate youth civic
3 engagement; and for other purposes.
- 4 WHEREAS, the Georgia Youth Assembly is a model state legislature for high school
5 students in which students serve as legislators, justices, attorney, and lobbyists; and
- 6 WHEREAS, participants in the Youth Assembly may run for the offices of Youth Governor,
7 Lt. Governor, and Speaker of the House; and
- 8 WHEREAS, students participating in the Youth Assembly are also given the opportunity to
9 explore the role the media plays in government by participating in the production of a daily
10 newspaper; and
- 11 WHEREAS, established in 1946, the Youth Assembly conference takes place in the historic
12 halls of the Georgia State Capitol, providing participants with an experience of a lifetime;
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14 WHEREAS, this year, the Youth Assembly celebrates its 78th anniversary and over 100
15 years of excellence and tradition in serving Georgia's students; and

16 WHEREAS, the 78th Youth Assembly was made up of many bright and eager young leaders,
17 including Youth Governor Harrison Caswell, Lieutenant Governor Jamarion Hobbs, Speaker
18 of the House Ben Smith, Secretary of State Katia Busch, President Pro Tem Chaston Atkins,
19 Speaker Pro Tem William Johnson, Senate Floor Leader TJ Mason, House Floor Leader
20 Jasper Stone, Secretary of the Senate Aubrey Eaton, Clerk of the House Gloria Longoria,
21 Senate Doorkeeper Josie Shoemaker, House Doorkeeper Faustina Barcena, Assistant
22 Secretary of the Senate Camden Howell, Assistant Clerk of the House Ansley Williams,
23 Senate Reading Clerk Catie Bell, and House Reading Clerk Grayson Jones; and

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

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
28 the members of this body commend the Georgia Center for Civic Engagement's Georgia
29 Youth Assembly for 76 years of teaching Georgia's future leaders about the legislative and
30 state government process.

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