

House Resolution 871

By: Representatives Dickey of the 140th, Yearta of the 152nd, Campbell of the 171st, Meeks of the 178th, Corbett of the 174th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the Georgia peanut industry and recognizing March 2022 as Georgia Peanut
2 Month at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, peanuts and peanut products are recognized throughout our nation and the
4 world as an appetizing and nutritious food, providing protein and other nutrients as part of
5 a well-balanced diet; and

6 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia leads the United States in peanut production, producing
7 approximately 52 percent of the total supply in the nation in 2022; our state leads the nation
8 in peanut exports, supplying nearly half of the United States peanut exports and contributing
9 more than \$320 million toward our nation's balance of trade; and

10 WHEREAS, peanut production is the largest single cash food row crop in Georgia with gross
11 farm receipts totaling hundreds of millions of dollars; and

12 WHEREAS, more than 250 Georgia companies engaged in warehousing, processing,
13 manufacturing, and marketing totally depend on the peanut industry, and hundreds of other
14 Georgia companies that engage in financing, supplying, distributing, and transporting are
15 dependent to some extent on the peanut industry; and

16 WHEREAS, the Georgia peanut industry has played a significant role in the economic
17 growth and prosperity of our state, contributing an estimated \$2 billion to the Georgia
18 economy and supporting the livelihood of more than 150,000 Georgians.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
20 the members of this body commend the Georgia peanut industry for its outstanding
21 contributions to the economic health of the State of Georgia and recognize March 2022 as
22 Georgia Peanut Month at the state capitol.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
24 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
25 Georgia Peanut Commission.