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House Resolution 922

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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending the Georgia Academy of Audiology and recognizing January 28, 2020, as
- 2 Georgia Academy of Audiology Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, each year, many Georgians are affected by hearing loss and balance disorders,
- 4 and those affected include both children and adults; and
- 5 WHEREAS, audiologists work independently and collaboratively with other health care
- 6 professionals to provide evaluations and treatment options for hearing loss and balance
- 7 disorders; and
- 8 WHEREAS, these audiologists are Georgia licensed professionals, many of whom hold AuD
- 9 degrees or other doctoral degrees from accredited universities with specialized training
- 10 programs in the identification, assessment, and treatment of hearing and balance disorders;
- 11 these professionals also work toward educating Georgians about prevention efforts; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Georgia's audiologists work in private practices, hospitals, clinics, physician
- offices, universities, pre-kindergarten through grade 12 schools, and government and military
- 14 practices; and
- 15 WHEREAS, while it has no university conferring an AuD degree, Georgia has approximately
- 16 450 licensed audiologists; and
- 17 WHEREAS, many Georgia licensed audiologists are members of the Georgia Academy of
- 18 Audiology, a nonprofit organization composed of audiologists and friends of audiology that
- 19 advances the profession of audiology in this state; and
- 20 WHEREAS, many of the Georgia Academy of Audiology's members are also members of
- 21 the national professional organization, the American Academy of Audiology, and they work

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22 closely with the Academy of Doctors of Audiology and American Speech-Language-Hearing

- 23 Association; and
- 24 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
- 25 organization be appropriately recognized for the health care services it provides to Georgians
- and for its leadership on health care policy.
- 27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 28 the members of this body commend the Georgia Academy of Audiology for its years of
- 29 efficient, effective, and dedicated service to the citizens of this state and recognize January
- 30 28, 2020, as Georgia Academy of Audiology Day at the state capitol.
- 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 Academy of Audiology.