House Resolution 936

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing Hemophilia of Georgia; and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, Hemophilia of Georgia is a nationally and internationally recognized nonprofit
based in Sandy Springs that provides services and support to Georgians who have
hemophilia, von Willebrand Disease, and other inherited bleeding disorders; and

5 WHEREAS, Hemophilia of Georgia began its work in 1973; and

6 WHEREAS, Hemophilia of Georgia continues to meet its goal to help those who have7 bleeding disorders live as normally and productively as possible; and

8 WHEREAS, Hemophilia of Georgia also serves as a member of the World Federation of 9 Hemophilia, enhancing the health and wellness of the bleeding disorder community by 10 providing comprehensive health care, education, advocacy, and support of research; and

11 WHEREAS, Hemophilia of Georgia is in receipt of six-star status by the National12 Hemophilia Foundation and is recognized as a Chapter of Excellence; and

13 WHEREAS, Hemophilia of Georgia employs numerous professionals, including14 pharmacists, nurses, and social workers, to provide critical services to its clients; and

WHEREAS, Hemophilia of Georgia provides specialized pharmacy services, outreach nursing services, social support services, clinic and research funding, information, educational services, and activities and programs to enhance care and quality of life for people with bleeding disorders and their families; and

19 WHEREAS, Hemophilia of Georgia's specialty pharmacies have dual accreditation from the

20 Accreditation Commission for Health Care, Incorporated (ACHC) and the Utilization

21 Review Accreditation Commission, Incorporated (URAC), demonstrating a commitment to

22 high-quality standards of care; and

WHEREAS, Hemophilia of Georgia provides children with inherited bleeding disorders the
ability to live more normal lives, including opportunities to attend summer camp at Camp
Wannaklot; and

WHEREAS, Hemophilia of Georgia publishes an award-winning newsletter for its clients and their families to educate them on advances in treatment; produces protocols for the treatment of Hemophilia and von Willebrand Disease for physicians and other health care providers; offers financial support for hemophilia treatment centers throughout Georgia to ensure that they are fully staffed and equipped; and invests in critical research for inherited bleeding disorders and their associated complications; and

WHEREAS, Hemophilia of Georgia partners with many entities, including St. JudeChildren's Research Hospital and the Aflac Cancer and Blood Disorders Center at Emory

- 34 University, for research to find a cure for hemophilia and to help end the bleeding disorders
- 35 affecting citizens; and

36 WHEREAS, Hemophilia of Georgia is a trusted resource to many health care providers and

37 insurers providing training on bleeding disorders, including appropriate care and treatment.

## 38 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that

the members of this body extend a warm greeting to Hemophilia of Georgia, its staff and volunteers, and the persons that the organization serves and convey to them this legislative body's heartiest commendation for their work on behalf of those individuals with hemophilia and other inherited bleeding disorders in this state, throughout our nation, and around the world.

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