A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing October 6-10, 2014, as Georgia Pre-K Week; and for other purposes.

- 2 WHEREAS, Georgia's Pre-K provides quality early education experiences to more than half
- 3 of all of the state's four-year-old children; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Georgia's Pre-K and other quality early education programs prepare children
- 5 for school and set them on a path to reading proficiency by third grade; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Georgia enjoys the successful engagement of hundreds of public, private, and
- 7 nonprofit providers of early education in Georgia's Pre-K; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Georgia's Pre-K has served almost 1.3 million Georgia children since it began;
 9 and
- WHEREAS, Voices for Georgia's Children will host Georgia Pre-K Week for the fourth year
 in a row during the first full week of October; and
- WHEREAS, Scholastic Corporation has graciously provided copies of "Pete the Cat and His
 Four Groovy Buttons" for the 2014 program.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body recognize October 6-10, 2014, as "Georgia Pre-K Week"; thank the hundreds of programs, teachers, aides, and staff who have built a nationally recognized Pre-K program; extend appreciation to Scholastic Corporation for its contributions to children and to Georgia Pre-K Week; and encourage parents, educators, community members, and business leaders to participate in Georgia Pre-K Week and to support high quality, accessible, and affordable early education for all children in the great State of Georgia.

- 21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 22 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Voices for Georgia's Children.