

Senate Resolution 168

By: Senators Parent of the 42nd, Orrock of the 36th and Jones II of the 22nd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing February 21, 2023, as Dyslexia Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, dyslexia is a specific learning disability that is neurological in origin; and
- 3 WHEREAS, dyslexia is the most common learning disability, affecting approximately one
4 in five individuals and approximately 80 percent of all individuals with a learning disability;
5 and
- 6 WHEREAS, the condition is often unexpected because those it affects can have a very high
7 level of intelligence but read at a much lower level; and
- 8 WHEREAS, dyslexia causes difficulty with phoneme segmentation, the ability to break
9 words down into individual sounds; and
- 10 WHEREAS, an individual with dyslexia may have weaknesses in decoding and reading
11 fluency, but they are often surrounded by a sea of strengths in reasoning, problem solving,
12 concept formation, critical thinking, and vocabulary; and

13 WHEREAS, early diagnosis is critical for early remediation and evidence-based intervention
14 that leads to self-awareness, self-empowerment, self-esteem, and necessary accommodations
15 to ensure student, school, and life success; and

16 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper to draw attention to the profound educational
17 impact of dyslexia on the education and lives of countless children, adults, and students in
18 the State of Georgia.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
20 recognize February 21, 2023, as Dyslexia Day at the state capitol.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
22 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the public and the
23 press.