

Senate Resolution 288

By: Senator Kennedy of the 18th

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Ms. Arthena Caston; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, born on July 18, 1964, Ms. Arthena Caston lives in Macon, Georgia; and
- 3 WHEREAS, in March 2016, at the age of just 51, Ms. Caston was diagnosed with  
4 Alzheimer's disease and mild cognitive impairment, a disease which may lead to dementia;  
5 and
- 6 WHEREAS, Ms. Caston is among the 150,000 Georgians living with Alzheimer's disease;  
7 and
- 8 WHEREAS, following her diagnosis, Ms. Caston made it her mission to raise awareness  
9 about the disease and to share her story; and
- 10 WHEREAS, she served a two-year term as a member of the board of directors for the  
11 Alzheimer's Association, an organization that seeks to accelerate global research, drive risk  
12 reduction and early detection of Alzheimer's disease, and maximize quality care and support;  
13 and

14 WHEREAS, she currently serves as a member of the board of directors for the Georgia  
15 Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association; and

16 WHEREAS, she is also one of 24 council members on the World Dementia Council, an  
17 international charity established by the G8 that is committed to developing a treatment for  
18 dementia and improving the lives of people affected by dementia; and

19 WHEREAS, Ms. Caston brings joy and happiness to her family and friends and to those now  
20 living with mild cognitive impairment and Alzheimer's disease; and

21 WHEREAS, Ms. Caston is making this world a better place in which to live, and it is only  
22 fitting and proper that she be appropriately honored.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
24 recognize and commend Ms. Arthena Caston for her unselfish, dedicated, and loving service  
25 to her community, the State of Georgia, and individuals suffering across the world from  
26 Alzheimer's disease and mild cognitive impairment.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
28 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Ms. Arthena  
29 Caston.