

Senate Resolution 630

By: Senator Unterman of the 45th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Partnership Against Domestic Violence and
2 commemorating its 40 years of service to the people of this state; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Partnership Against Domestic Violence, a nonprofit, charitable organization
4 originally known as the Council on Battered Women, has provided services for more than
5 40 years to women and children who are victims of domestic violence; and

6 WHEREAS, the agency began as an all-volunteer entity based in Atlanta, was incorporated
7 as a nonprofit organization in 1977, and has since grown to become the largest provider of
8 services to victims of domestic violence in Georgia through grant assistance and generous
9 donations from foundations, businesses, and individuals; and

10 WHEREAS, the Partnership Against Domestic Violence provides two 24 hour emergency
11 shelters or safe homes for victims of domestic violence in Fulton and Gwinnett Counties; and

12 WHEREAS, the Partnership Against Domestic Violence, also known as PADV, works to end
13 domestic violence by offering safety and shelter for battered women and their children;
14 restoring power, self-sufficiency, and control to domestic violence survivors; and educating
15 the public on the dynamics of domestic violence; and

16 WHEREAS, in addition to safe homes and shelters for victims, the Partnership Against
17 Domestic Violence provides other services, including a 24 hour crisis line, parenting
18 services, children and youth programs to help children deal with their feelings about
19 domestic violence, community-based services for survivors, supportive housing, legal
20 advocacy, community support groups, public benefits assistance, teen dating violence
21 prevention programs, and community outreach educational programs for police officers,
22 judges, the clergy, legislators, hospitals, businesses, child protection agencies, and the media;
23 and

24 WHEREAS, the Partnership Against Domestic Violence is a leader in the pursuit to end
25 domestic violence, which is experienced by one in four women over the course of their
26 lifetimes; and

27 WHEREAS, the Partnership Against Domestic Violence commemorated its 40th anniversary
28 in 2017; and

29 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding work of this fine
30 organization and its numerous contributions to the citizens of this state be appropriately
31 recognized.

32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
33 recognize and commend the Partnership Against Domestic Violence for its incredible
34 programs and services for women and children and the community and commemorate its 40
35 years of dedicated efforts in the prevention, intervention, and eradication of domestic
36 violence.

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
38 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the Partnership
39 Against Domestic Violence.