

Senate Resolution 706

By: Senators James of the 35th and Rhett of the 33rd

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Celebrating the achievements and capabilities of young Georgians, and recognizing March  
2 14, 2024, as Georgia Children & Youth Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, more than 2.5 million Georgians are under 18 years of age, and today's youth  
4 are tomorrow's leaders; and

5 WHEREAS, the high school graduation rate has risen in recent years, from 67.4 percent in  
6 2011 to 79.2 percent in 2016; and

7 WHEREAS, children are Georgia's most valuable asset; and Georgia's youth possess  
8 enormous potential, which must be recognized and realized through constructive social  
9 policies; and

10 WHEREAS, giving Georgia's youth the tools they need to succeed pays enormous dividends;  
11 and

12 WHEREAS, the circumstances of a child's upbringing have a profound impact reaching well  
13 into adulthood, and therefore require contributions from all of society; and

14 WHEREAS, the Georgia Legislature is in the unique position to offer its appreciation and  
15 support of the children and youth of Georgia.

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
17 celebrate the achievements and potential of the more than 2.5 million children and youth in  
18 Georgia, and, in doing so, recognize March 14, 2024, as Georgia Children & Youth Day at  
19 the state capitol, and encourage all citizens to recognize and celebrate the achievements and  
20 potential of Georgia's youngest residents.

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.