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House Resolution 1273

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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing February 27, 2024, as Dominican Republic Independence Day; and for other
- 2 purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, first observed in 144, this year's Dominican Republic Independence Day will
- 4 celebrate 180 years since the Dominican Republic succeeded in its fight against Haitian rule
- 5 and secured its freedom; and
- 6 WHEREAS, as of 2024, there are approximately 90,000 Dominican Americans residing in
- 7 the State of Georgia as well as 518 registered businesses owned by Dominican Americans;
- 8 and
- 9 WHEREAS, Dominican Americans work and serve in many professions and roles across the
- 10 state, including as realtors, artists, doctors, nurses, and students at prestigious institutions
- such as the University of Georgia, Georgia Tech, and many others; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Dominican Americans are further represented in the National Baseball League
- 13 by numerous professional teams, including the Atlanta Braves; and

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14 WHEREAS, in recognition of the many wonderful contributions made to this state by its

- 15 Dominican American community, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this day be
- 16 appropriately honored.
- 17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 18 the members of this body recognize February 27, 2024, as Dominican Republic
- 19 Independence Day.
- 20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 21 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
- 22 public and the press.