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House Resolution 1368

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## **A RESOLUTION**

- 1 Commending the benefits and contributions of purebred dogs and recognizing May 1, 2024,
- 2 as Purebred Dog Day in the State of Georgia; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, dedicated individuals in Georgia breed dogs to develop unique predictable
- 4 characteristics that enable dogs to excel in a wide range of beneficial areas; and
- 5 WHEREAS, purebred dogs are living legacies of the cultures that created them, and
- 6 historically these dogs worked alongside their people and provided them companionship; and
- 7 WHEREAS, the service of these breeds continues as they work alongside humans and
- 8 provide inestimable companionship as guide dogs, service dogs, conservation dogs, livestock
- 9 guardians, search and rescue dogs, earth dogs, police dogs, canine soldiers serving by the
- sides of our military men and women, and guardians of family, home, and hearth; and
- WHEREAS, purebred dogs have been of enormous help to medical science, serving as
- models for many heritable human diseases, playing a role in humanity's understanding of the
- human and canine genomes, and benefitting pharmaceutical research and development; and

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14 WHEREAS, purebred dogs are working dogs, serving as avalanche dogs, trackers and

- 15 trailers, herders, controllers of vermin, water rescuers, carting and sled dogs, retrievers,
- 16 protectors, hunters, and bird dogs, and they are always the heartbeat of a companion near and
- 17 dear to humans; and
- 18 WHEREAS, all dogs should be valued whatever their ancestry, but the purpose-bred dog and
- 19 the predictability of its breed should be cherished and preserved; and
- 20 WHEREAS, each breed is incredibly etched in the history of the culture that created it, just
- 21 as surely as that culture's music, art, and language, making it abundantly fitting that we
- 22 recognize purebred dogs.
- 23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 24 the members of this body commend the benefits and contributions of purebred dogs and
- 25 recognize May 1, 2024, as Purebred Dog Day in the State of Georgia.
- 26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 27 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
- 28 public and the press.