

## House Resolution 51

By: Representatives Dubnik of the 29<sup>th</sup>, Reeves of the 34<sup>th</sup>, Lumsden of the 12<sup>th</sup>, Pirkle of the 155<sup>th</sup>, and Anderson of the 10<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the Georgia Institute of Technology and the Northeast Georgia Health System  
2 and expressing appreciation for their efforts to provide a COVID-19 Surveillance Testing  
3 Program for the Georgia General Assembly; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, research faculty from Georgia Tech  
5 and the Georgia Tech Research Institute developed an innovative saliva-based COVID-19  
6 testing program last year to keep their students and campus community safe; and

7 WHEREAS, since its COVID-19 testing program was launched in August 2020, Georgia  
8 Tech has performed over 160,000 tests; and

9 WHEREAS, the success of Georgia Tech's testing program demonstrates the institute's  
10 commitment to not only the health and well-being of its students, faculty, and staff but also  
11 its mission of advancing the human condition; and

12 WHEREAS, in the spirit of Georgia Tech's motto of "Progress and Service," the institute has  
13 partnered with the Georgia General Assembly to provide a COVID-19 surveillance testing  
14 program for members and staff during the 2021 Legislative Session; and

15 WHEREAS, Georgia Tech has partnered with Northeast Georgia Health System to provide  
16 a timely review and reporting of testing results; and

17 WHEREAS, this unique surveillance testing program will protect the health and safety of all  
18 persons under the Gold Dome while enabling the Georgia General Assembly to serve the  
19 people of Georgia.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
21 the members of this body commend and express their gratitude to the Georgia Institute of  
22 Technology and the Northeast Georgia Health System for their dedication and service to the  
23 Georgia General Assembly.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
25 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the  
26 faculty and staff of Georgia Tech and the Northeast Georgia Health System who made this  
27 effort possible.