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House Resolution 731

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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing the positive economic impact of golf on the State of Georgia; and for other
- 2 purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, golf is an extremely popular sport in the State of Georgia, and each year both
- 4 national and international media turn to the Peach State for two of the most iconic golf events
- 5 in the world: the Masters Tournament and the TOUR Championship; and
- 6 WHEREAS, as an industry, golf annually provides a major economic impact on this state,
- 7 including \$4.8 billion in direct, indirect, and induced economic output; \$2.9 billion in golf
- 8 economy expenditures; 45,359 direct, indirect, and induced jobs; \$1.6 billion in wages and
- 9 benefits; and \$239.8 million in state and local tax revenue; and
- 10 WHEREAS, roughly 98 percent of the golf carts manufactured in the United States are made
- 11 in the State of Georgia, generating a collective \$615 million in value-added product
- 12 shipments; and
- 13 WHEREAS, our state's golf facilities employ thousands of individuals and serve as local
- 14 economic drivers that generate \$890.9 million in economic activity and create \$71.4 million
- in proceeds for local charities through fund-raising events; and

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16 WHEREAS, based on estimated totals from the National Golf Foundation, 558,000 golfers

- played 8.3 million rounds of golf across Georgia's 413 golf courses in 2021; and
- 18 WHEREAS, as the game of golf drives significant economic activity in this state and is
- 19 enjoyed by many, it is abundantly fitting and proper that it be appropriately honored.
- 20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 21 the members of this body recognize the immensely positive economic impact of golf on this
- state and encourage all citizens to enjoy the sport for themselves as a player, spectator, or
- 23 both.
- 24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
- 26 public and the press.