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House Resolution 83

By: Representative Nix of the 69th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing January 28, 2019, as Georgia Academy of Audiology Day at the state capitol;
- 2 and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, many Georgians are affected by hearing loss and balance disorders, and those
- 4 affected include both children and adults; and
- 5 WHEREAS, audiologists work collaboratively with other health care professionals to
- 6 provide evaluations and treatment options for hearing losses and balance disorders; and
- 7 WHEREAS, audiologists are licensed professionals in the State of Georgia, and many hold
- 8 a clinical doctorate in audiology (AuD) or other doctoral degrees from accredited
- 9 universities; and
- 10 WHEREAS, audiologists have undergone specialized training programs in identification,
- assessment, and treatment of hearing and balance disorders, and they also educate Georgians
- 12 about preventive techniques for avoiding auditory damage; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Georgia audiologists work in various settings, including private practice,
- 14 hospitals, clinics, physician offices, universities, pre-k through 12 schools, and government
- and military practices; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Georgia has no university conferring an AuD degree, but this state is home to
- more than 500 licensed audiologists; and
- 18 WHEREAS, many of Georgia's licensed audiologists are members of the Georgia Academy
- 19 of Audiology, a nonprofit organization made up of 103 audiologists and friends of audiology
- 20 that was established on October 1, 2001, to advance the profession of audiology in the state;
- 21 and

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WHEREAS, many of the Georgia Academy of Audiology's members are also members of

- 23 the national professional organization, the American Academy of Audiology (AAA), and its
- 24 members also work closely with the Academy of Doctors of Audiology (ADA), and the
- 25 American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA); and
- 26 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the Georgia Academy of Audiology's
- 27 outstanding health care services and leadership on health care policy be appropriately
- 28 recognized.
- 29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 30 the members of this body recognize January 28, 2019, as Georgia Academy of Audiology
- 31 Day at the state capitol; commend the Georgia Academy of Audiology for its years of
- 32 efficient, effective, unselfish, and dedicated public service to the citizens of this state; and
- 33 extend to the organization their most sincere best wishes.
- 34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
- 36 Georgia Academy of Audiology.