By: Representatives Bennett of the 94th, Dickerson of the 113th, Carter of the 92nd, Gardner of the 57th, Alexander of the 66th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the Physical Therapy Association of Georgia and recognizing February 13,

2 2018, as Physical Therapy Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia encourages options for an active and healthy lifestyle; and

WHEREAS, the Physical Therapy Association of Georgia speaks in the best interests of the
public in recommending physical therapy that is provided by a licensed physical therapist;
and

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7 WHEREAS, the mission of the Physical Therapy Association of Georgia is to represent and

8 promote the profession of physical therapy with integrity, excellence, and collaboration to

9 best serve and advocate for the people of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, the Physical Therapy Association of Georgia improves the quality of life for Georgians through the campaign, PT Move Better, Live Better, Feel Better, educating

12 Georgians on the benefits of physical therapy and how it helps improve mobility, health,

13 fitness, and wellness; and

WHEREAS, physical therapists in Georgia are held to a high educational standard by earning a Doctor of Physical Therapy degree and a state license and by continuing competency to provide examination of and treatment for conditions limiting movement and functional activity as well as preventing the loss of mobility; and

WHEREAS, physical therapist assistants complete an associate's degree and are licensed to
 provide selected physical therapy treatment under the direction and supervision of physical

20 therapists; and

- 21 WHEREAS, the more than 2,240 members of the Physical Therapy Association of Georgia
- 22 provide Georgians with expert examination and treatment of the movement systems to
- 23 improve health, fitness, wellness, and mobility across the life span; and
- WHEREAS, it is estimated that more than 496,000 Georgians require the care of a physicaltherapist each year.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that

27 the members of this body commend the Physical Therapy Association of Georgia and its

28 members for their continued dedication to promote the health and wellness of Georgia's

- 29 citizens through maintaining a high standard of education, integrity, and excellence in
- 30 practice and recognize February 13, 2018, as Physical Therapy Day at the state capitol.
- 31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 32 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
- 33 Physical Therapy Association of Georgia.