

## House Resolution 1610

By: Representatives Sainz of the 180<sup>th</sup>, Burns of the 159<sup>th</sup>, Stephens of the 164<sup>th</sup>, Townsend of the 179<sup>th</sup>, Williams of the 168<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Leadership Southeast Georgia Class of 2024; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, in 1999, a regional leadership program evolved in southeast Georgia with the  
4 mission to create a regional strategic plan for community and economic development; and

5 WHEREAS, first hosted by Georgia Southern University from 2000 through 2009, the  
6 Leadership Southeast Georgia program expanded its footprint throughout the region covering  
7 a ten-county area; and

8 WHEREAS, Leadership Southeast Georgia has evolved into a leadership program designed  
9 to advance economic and community development in the ten-county southeast Georgia  
10 region and to build a network of regional leadership across county lines; and

11 WHEREAS, a selected group of civic and business leaders from the communities throughout  
12 southeast Georgia come together for five months a year to explore topics such as health and  
13 public safety, natural resources, military installations, education, agriculture, transportation,  
14 and infrastructure; and

15 WHEREAS, these seasoned leaders from the counties of Bryan, Bulloch, Camden, Chatham,  
16 Effingham, Glynn, Liberty, Long, McIntosh, and Screven make connections and learn ways  
17 to promote positive growth and improve the quality of life in southeast Georgia; and

18 WHEREAS, the program focuses on improving leadership competencies that are most  
19 important to regional leadership, including these competencies: collaboration, conflict  
20 resolution, effective communication, emotional intelligence, ethics and values, integrity and  
21 trust, and systematical and long-range thinking; and

22 WHEREAS, under the guidance of the talented and dedicated volunteer Leadership  
23 Southeast Georgia Alumni Board of Directors, innovative facilitator Suzanne Kirk, and the  
24 team at Cecelia Russo Marketing, the program provides rich leadership experiences for  
25 participants; and

26 WHEREAS, the selection committee, made up of Leadership Southeast Georgia Alumni,  
27 review applicants from an extensive pool of candidates and the dynamic individuals chosen  
28 for the 2024 Class of Leadership Southeast Georgia are: Adot Whitely, Amy Drew, Angela  
29 Hendrix, Antonio Key, Billy Joe Nelson, Brendan Ferrara, Buck Holly, Chris Jordan,  
30 Courténay Miller, Courtney Grunninger Bonney, Cynthia Craddock, Desiree Riley, DeVo  
31 Adams, Greg Finch, Haydon Rollins, Heath Lloyd, Jennifer Ball, Karla Stanford, Kendra  
32 Rolle, Leigh Smiley, Matt Campbell, Tyler Wilson, Olivia, Penrod, Ric Stewart, Necie  
33 Carroll, Russell Parr, Tara Jennings, Tom Pace, and Tiffany Zeigler.

34 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
35 the members of this body recognize and commend the Leadership Southeast Georgia Class  
36 of 2024 and extend best wishes for continued success.

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
38 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to each  
39 member of the 2024 Class of Leadership Southeast Georgia.