

House Resolution 254

By: Representatives Carpenter of the 4th, Harrell of the 106th, Stephens of the 164th, Momtahan of the 17th, and Gaines of the 117th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing February 20, 2019, as State Restaurant Day at the state capitol and commending
2 the restaurant industry of Georgia; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the restaurant industry plays a vital role in Georgia's economic prosperity and
4 the quality of life for all Georgians; and

5 WHEREAS, Georgia's restaurant industry comprises more than 18,400 food and drink
6 establishments and generates more than \$20 billion annually, providing nearly 488,400 jobs
7 state wide; and

8 WHEREAS, more than 36 national restaurant industry brands are headquartered in Georgia;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, the Georgia Restaurant Association is dedicated to providing a voice in
11 advocacy, education, and awareness for the restaurant industry throughout the state to
12 express to residents and visitors the great value, quality, and services provided by local food
13 establishments; and

14 WHEREAS, the Georgia Restaurant Association works with state and local agencies to
15 promote food safety and job skills through the ServSafe® and ProStart® educational
16 programs and the industry mentoring of young professionals; and

17 WHEREAS, 50 percent of all adults in Georgia have worked in the restaurant industry,
18 thereby providing job skills that serve as a launching point for careers; and

19 WHEREAS, the contributions and efforts of restaurant industry professionals to provide the
20 highest quality food and drinks in Georgia, promote small business, and contribute billions
21 of dollars to local and state tax revenue to stimulate economic growth are worthy of
22 recognition.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
24 the members of this body commend the dedication of the restaurant industry, applaud their
25 service as critical to the economic vitality of the State of Georgia, and recognize February
26 20, 2019, as State Restaurant Day at the state capitol.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
28 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
29 Georgia Restaurant Association.