

## House Resolution 278

By: Representatives Lim of the 99<sup>th</sup>, Marin of the 96<sup>th</sup>, McLeod of the 105<sup>th</sup>, Nguyen of the 89<sup>th</sup>, Park of the 101<sup>st</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the contributions of Asian Americans Advancing  
2 Justice-Atlanta in Georgia on its 10th annual Asian American Advocacy Day; and for other  
3 purposes.

4 WHEREAS, Asian Americans Advancing Justice-Atlanta is a legal advocacy organization  
5 that protects, defends, and advances the civil rights of the rising Asian American Pacific  
6 Islander (AAPI) community in the New South; and

7 WHEREAS, Asian Americans Advancing Justice-Atlanta stands with immigrant, refugee,  
8 and Muslim families and populations as well as other marginalized groups, including the  
9 LGBTQ+ community; and

10 WHEREAS, this organization increases visibility of the AAPI community and communities  
11 of color while advocating for language equity, immigrant justice, and access to education;  
12 and

13 WHEREAS, through advocacy, litigation, and collaboration with other key stakeholders,  
14 Asian Americans Advancing Justice-Atlanta has advanced equal protection for all Georgians;  
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16 WHEREAS, Asian Americans Advancing Justice-Atlanta has increased the Asian American  
17 community's political power, and it continues to work toward a more representative  
18 democracy in Georgia; and

19 WHEREAS, the important efforts of this organization include organizing civic engagement,  
20 impacting litigation, providing legal services, and advocating for policy changes that result  
21 in long-term shifts in power, behavior, and culture; and

22 WHEREAS, in 2020, Asian Americans Advancing Justice-Atlanta used community building  
23 and education to reach out to every AAPI voter in Georgia in over five different languages,  
24 increasing the share of the AAPI vote during the general and runoff elections; and

25 WHEREAS, focusing on the area of voting rights has allowed this organization to protect  
26 and empower AAPI voters to participate in a new culture of civic engagement while building  
27 communities of power; and

28 WHEREAS, this organization has made historic strides in creating language equity for  
29 limited English proficiency voters across the state; and

30 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding efforts and service of this  
31 exemplary organization be appropriately recognized.

32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
33 the members of this body recognize and commend Asian Americans Advancing  
34 Justice-Atlanta for its many contributions to the State of Georgia and extend their most  
35 sincere best wishes for continued success.

36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
37 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Asian  
38 Americans Advancing Justice-Atlanta.