House Resolution 356

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## A RESOLUTION

Recognizing February 27, 2023, as Dominican Republic Independence Day; and for other
 purposes.

WHEREAS, first observed in 144, this year's Dominican Republic Independence Day will
celebrate 179 years since the Dominican Republic succeeded in its fight against Haitian rule
and secured its freedom; and

6 WHEREAS, as of 2023, there are approximately 90,000 Dominican Americans residing in
7 the State of Georgia as well as 518 registered businesses owned by Dominican Americans;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, Dominican Americans work and serve in many professions and roles across the
10 state, including as realtors, artists, doctors, nurses, and students at prestigious institutions
11 such as the University of Georgia, Georgia Tech, and many others; and

WHEREAS, Dominican Americans are further represented in the National Baseball Leagueby numerous professional teams, including the Atlanta Braves; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of the many wonderful contributions made to this state by its
Dominican American community, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this day be
appropriately honored.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
the members of this body recognize February 27, 2023, as Dominican Republic
Independence Day.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the

22 public and the press.