

## House Resolution 868

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Congratulating and commending the 2024 Georgia Single Parent Legacy Builders  
2 Recognition and Awards finalists, the 2024 Georgia Single Parent Overcomer Founder  
3 Award finalists, and the 2024 Georgia Single Parent Ruth Brewster Endurance Award  
4 recipients for their accomplishments; and for other purposes.

5 WHEREAS, in recognition of the many single parents in Georgia, House Resolution 279 was  
6 signed into law, designating March 21 annually as Single Parent Day in Georgia; and

7 WHEREAS, the National Leadership Group Inc. and former State Representative Valencia  
8 Stovall identified the need to create an annual award event in 2019 named the Georgia Single  
9 Parent Legacy Builders Recognition and Awards to recognize the dedication and  
10 achievements of single parents regardless of gender, cultural diversity, or economic status;  
11 and

12 WHEREAS, the Georgia Single Parent Overcomer Founder Award was established in 2022  
13 by former State Representative Valencia Stovall to recognize single parents who overcome  
14 tremendous obstacles in order to give their children the ability to succeed and excel; and

15 WHEREAS, the Georgia Single Parent Ruth Brewster Endurance Award was established in  
16 2023 by Mother Ruth Brewster to recognize single parents who endure through many  
17 challenges in order to ensure their children thrive in a loving environment to succeed; and

18 WHEREAS, thirty-three nominated single parents will be honored at the 2024 Georgia  
19 Single Parent Legacy Builders Recognition and Awards event on March 23 in East Point,  
20 Georgia, with the following outstanding single parents as finalists: Mia Smith of Griffin and  
21 Joan Houston of Covington in the Education category; Nybria Troy of Dallas in the Medical  
22 & Health category; Donna Perkins of Atlanta and Deborah Truitt of Atlanta in the  
23 Community Service category; Danielle Teachey of Morrow in the Business Owner category;  
24 and Vanessa Bridges of Riverdale in the Public Service category; and

25 WHEREAS, the 2024 Georgia Single Parent Overcomer Founder Award recipients are  
26 Marcy Sinkfield Idiaghe of College Park as an Educator and Xenophon Cater of Kennesaw  
27 as a Business Owner; and

28 WHEREAS, the 2024 Georgia Single Parent Ruth Brewster Endurance Award recipient is  
29 Jeanika Brimmer of McDonough in Community Service; and

30 WHEREAS, parents must invest immeasurable amounts of time, energy, and devotion when  
31 raising their children in order to provide them with the love, support, and guidance required  
32 to become responsible, productive, and successful adults; and

33 WHEREAS, the responsibility of raising children in today's society is particularly difficult  
34 when it falls on the shoulders of a single parent; and

35 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that outstanding accomplishments of these  
36 remarkable and distinguished individuals be appropriately recognized.

37 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
38 the members of this body commend the 2024 Georgia Single Parent Legacy Builders  
39 Recognition and Awards recipients for their exemplification as single parent role models and  
40 extend most sincere best wishes to their future successes.

41 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
42 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to each  
43 of the recipients named herein.