House Resolution 989

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## A RESOLUTION

Recognizing and commending the contributions of the Asian American Advocacy Fund and
 Asian American Advancing Justice—Atlanta in Georgia on their 11th annual Asian
 American Advocacy Day; and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, the Asian American Advocacy Fund and Asian American Advancing
Justice—Atlanta are advocacy organizations that protect, defend, and advance the civil rights
of the rising Asian American Pacific Islander (AAPI) community in the New South; and

WHEREAS, the Asian American Advocacy Fund and Asian American Advancing
Justice—Atlanta stand with immigrant, refugee, and Muslim families and populations as well
as other marginalized groups, including the LGBTQ+ community; and

WHEREAS, these organizations increase visibility of the AAPI community and communities
of color while advocating for language equity, immigrant justice, and access to education;
and

WHEREAS, through advocacy, litigation, and collaboration with other key stakeholders, the
Asian American Advocacy Fund and Asian American Advancing Justice—Atlanta have
advanced equal protection for all Georgians; and

16 WHEREAS, the Asian American Advocacy Fund and Asian American Advancing17 Justice—Atlanta have increased the Asian American community's political power, and they

18 continue to work toward a more representative democracy in Georgia; and

19 WHEREAS, the Asian American Advocacy Fund and Asian American Advancing 20 Justice—Atlanta have used community building and education to reach out to every AAPI 21 voter in Georgia in more than five different languages, increasing the share of the AAPI vote 22 during the general and runoff elections; and

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

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding efforts and service ofthese exemplary organizations be appropriately recognized.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that the members of this body recognize and commend the Asian American Advocacy Fund and Asian American Advancing Justice—Atlanta for their many contributions to the State of Georgia and extend their most sincere best wishes for continued success.

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
Asian American Advocacy Fund and Asian American Advancing Justice—Atlanta.