

Senate Resolution 150

By: Senators Halpern of the 39th, Esteves of the 35th, Anderson of the 24th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Rhett of the 33rd and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the contributions of the Georgia Addiction Counselors Association and its
2 commitment to delivering evidence-based practices to individuals with substance use
3 disorders through recognized standards of education, training, and competencies as it
4 celebrates 45 years of service to Georgia; and for other purposes.

5 WHEREAS, the addiction professional workforce represents more than 1,500 counselors,
6 educators, and other addiction-focused health care professionals; and

7 WHEREAS, addiction professionals specialize in prevention, intervention, treatment,
8 recovery support, and education; and

9 WHEREAS, addiction professionals work across a wide variety of settings, including
10 outpatient care centers, mental health and substance use disorder facilities, general medicine
11 and surgical hospitals, psychiatric and substance use disorder hospitals, private practices,
12 clinics, prisons, probation agencies, juvenile detention facilities, halfway houses,
13 detoxification centers, and more; and

14 WHEREAS, addiction professionals address the full range of substance use disorders in
15 communities across the treatment and recovery continuum, including responding to the
16 current opioid crisis; and

17 WHEREAS, the Georgia Addiction Counselors Association provides evidence-based care
18 for substance use disorders, training, and competencies for delivering quality care while
19 saving lives, restoring families, and strengthening communities across Georgia.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
21 congratulate the Georgia Addiction Counselors Association for 45 years of service to the
22 people of Georgia and commend its leadership in service to all those across Georgia seeking
23 recovery from addiction.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
25 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the Georgia
26 Addiction Counselors Association.