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Senate Resolution 391

By: Senators Watson of the 11th, Echols of the 49th, Walker III of the 20th, Anderson of the 24th and Goodman of the 8th

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing March 25-31, 2023, as Farmworker Awareness Week; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, there are 2.6 million farmworkers in the United States; and
- 3 WHEREAS, agriculture in Georgia contributes over \$73 billion annually to the state's
- 4 economy and provides jobs for over 340,000 people; and
- 5 WHEREAS, in the United States, agriculture is a thriving industry that provides \$1.3 trillion
- 6 in economic impact and provides food for 336 million citizens and beyond; and
- 7 WHEREAS, farmworkers provide all Americans with access to safe, healthy, and affordable
- 8 food; and
- 9 WHEREAS, farmworkers are the critical first step in our food supply chain; and
- 10 WHEREAS, farmworkers are #AlwaysEssential and their contributions to the foods we
- 11 purchase often go unseen; and

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12 WHEREAS, farmworkers provide highly skilled and often physically and mentally

- 13 challenging labor that is often taken for granted; and
- 14 WHEREAS, farmworkers continue to work through, meet, and exceed the challenges of
- 15 Mother Nature, and they have performed under extreme pressure throughout the pandemic
- and during other global challenges; and
- 17 WHEREAS, the need for farmworkers continues to grow as the United States continues to
- 18 produce food for an ever-growing world population.
- 19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 20 acknowledge the importance of farmworkers; recognize March 25-31, 2023, as Farmworker
- 21 Awareness Week; and ask all citizens to join in honoring our #AlwaysEssential farmworkers.
- 22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 23 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the public and the
- 24 press.