

## Senate Resolution 785

By: Senators Harrell of the 40th, Jackson of the 41st, Orrock of the 36th, Jones II of the 22nd, Seay of the 34th and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing March 26, 2024, as Trans Liberation Day at the state capitol; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, we proudly recognize Community Estr(EI/La) for their work and service in  
4 educating communities about the challenges and contributions of transgender Georgians; and

5 WHEREAS, Community Estr(EI/La) is a community-based organization led by immigrant,  
6 Spanish-speaking (Black, Indigenous, Brown), and transgender individuals who are  
7 dedicated to defending, organizing, and empowering the human rights of transgender  
8 Georgians; and

9 WHEREAS, Trans Liberation Day is a significant observance dedicated to recognizing the  
10 struggles and celebrating the achievements of the transgender community; and

11 WHEREAS, the transgender community has faced historical and ongoing challenges,  
12 including violence, discrimination, and injustice; and

13 WHEREAS, there is still no comprehensive federal non-discrimination law that includes  
14 gender identity; and

15 WHEREAS, twenty-nine percent of transgender adults live in poverty, as well as 39 percent  
16 of Black transgender adults, 48 percent of Latine transgender adults, and 35 percent of  
17 Alaska Native, Asian, Native American, and Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander transgender  
18 adults; and

19 WHEREAS, fifty-four percent of transgender people have experienced some form of  
20 intimate partner violence, 47 percent have been sexually assaulted in their lifetime, and  
21 nearly one in ten were physically assaulted; and

22 WHEREAS, twenty-seven percent of transgender people have been fired, not hired, or  
23 denied a promotion due to their transgender identity; and

24 WHEREAS, twenty-two percent of transgender people and 32 percent of transgender people  
25 of color have no health insurance coverage. More than one-quarter (29 percent) of  
26 transgender adults have been refused health care by a doctor or provider because of their  
27 gender identity; and

28 WHEREAS, forty-nine percent of transgender adults and 55 percent of transgender adults  
29 of color said they were unable to vote in at least one election in their lifetime because of fear  
30 of experiencing discrimination at the polls; and

31 WHEREAS, there is no comprehensive state non-discrimination law that includes gender  
32 identity for children, youth, and adults; and

33 WHEREAS, recognizing Trans Liberation Day serves as an opportunity to foster  
34 understanding, inclusivity, and acceptance within our state; and

35 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia values and respects the diversity of its residents, including  
36 those who identify as transgender.

37 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
38 recognize March 26, 2024, as Trans Liberation Day at the state capitol, an important  
39 occasion to raise awareness about the experiences of transgender individuals and to promote  
40 a more affirming, inclusive, and supportive state.

41 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of this body encourage educational  
42 institutions, businesses, and community organizations to participate in activities that promote  
43 awareness and understanding of the transgender community.

44 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
45 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the public and the  
46 press.