

**GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF CHIEFS OF POLICE
RESOLUTION**

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING EFFORTS TO PRIORITIZE INVESTMENTS IN
EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION PROGRAMS
STATE OF GEORGIA**

Submitted by President Dennis S. Nelson, the Executive Board, Executive Director Frank V. Rotonondo, and the State-Wide Membership of the Association.

WHEREAS, one of the most important functions of government is to protect its citizens; and

WHEREAS, members of the Georgia Association of Chiefs of Police work continuously to deter, decrease, and mitigate crime and hold dangerous criminals accountable; and

WHEREAS, Fight Crime: Invest in Kids is dedicated to reducing crime through their support of early childhood education programs; and

WHEREAS, rigorous research and evidence-based programs demonstrate high quality early childhood programs provide children with a solid foundation to improve academic outcomes and avoid youth crime and delinquency; and

WHEREAS, these proactive investments will have long-term return-on-investment that will pay for themselves through reduced crime and its associated costs, lower welfare and remedial education costs, and increased revenue through greater worker productivity.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Georgia Association of Chiefs of Police support the State of Georgia's efforts to prioritize investments in high quality early childhood programs.

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