

House Resolution 1205

By: Representative Childers of the 13th, Post 1

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the Partnership for Health and Accountability and recognizing February 26,
2 2004, as "Partnership for Health and Accountability Day"; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Partnership for Health and Accountability was established in January, 2000,
4 in an effort to bring together hospitals, physicians, nurses, pharmacists, pharmaceutical
5 manufacturers, the business community, policy leaders, and consumers to share data,
6 resources, and expertise to ensure quality care and patient safety; and

7 WHEREAS, the Partnership for Health and Accountability is recognized nationally for its
8 leadership in improving quality of care and patient safety and has been the model for other
9 states; and

10 WHEREAS, this partnership provides a forum for discussion and advocacy for data driven
11 public policy that promotes the use of clinical evidence based best practices, coordination of
12 care, expansion of health care coverage, and access to health services; and

13 WHEREAS, the four major components used by the partnership to support its goals are
14 community involvement, data analysis, reports, and a continuous improvement framework;
15 and

16 WHEREAS, one preventable patient error is one too many and consumers, providers, and
17 the community must work together and be responsible for making improvements in health
18 care; and

19 WHEREAS, Brooks County Hospital of Quitman, Higgins General Hospital of Bremen,
20 Elbert Memorial Hospital of Elberton, Fannin Regional Hospital of Blue Ridge, Palmyra
21 Medical Centers of Albany, St. Francis Hospital of Columbus, Tanner Medical Center of
22 Carrollton, Athens Regional Medical Center of Athens, Children's Healthcare of Atlanta,
23 Saint Joseph's Hospital of Atlanta, HCA South-East Division of Alpharetta, and Emory

1 Healthcare of Atlanta have received awards for their outstanding leadership and innovation
2 in quality care and patient safety.

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
4 the members of this body commend the Partnership for Health and Accountability and
5 Brooks County Hospital of Quitman, Higgins General Hospital of Bremen, Elbert Memorial
6 Hospital of Elberton, Fannin Regional Hospital of Blue Ridge, Palmyra Medical Centers of
7 Albany, St. Francis Hospital of Columbus, Tanner Medical Center of Carrollton, Athens
8 Regional Medical Center of Athens, Children's Healthcare of Atlanta, Saint Joseph's Hospital
9 of Atlanta, HCA South-East Division of Alpharetta, and Emory Healthcare of Atlanta for the
10 exceptional advances they have made in quality of care and patient safety and recognize
11 February 26, 2004, as "Partnership for Health and Accountability Day."

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
13 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the Partnership for Health and
14 Accountability, Brooks County Hospital of Quitman, Higgins General Hospital of Bremen,
15 Elbert Memorial Hospital of Elberton, Fannin Regional Hospital of Blue Ridge, Palmyra
16 Medical Centers of Albany, St. Francis Hospital of Columbus, Tanner Medical Center oif
17 Carrollton, Athens Regional Medical Center of Athens, Children's Healthcare of Atlanta,
18 Saint Joseph's Hospital of Atlanta, HCA South-East Division of Alpharetta, and Emory
19 Healthcare of Atlanta.