

Senate Resolution 31

By: Senators Thomas of the 2nd and Johnson of the 1st

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending St. Joseph's/Candler Hospital and St. Mary's Community Center, recipients of
2 the National Achievement Citation award; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, St. Joseph's/Candler Health System has delivered high quality health care and
4 compassion to the Savannah community for more than three centuries; and

5 WHEREAS, St. Mary's Community Center, one of many community outreach initiatives
6 sponsored by St. Joseph's/Candler, was awarded the Catholic Health Association's most
7 prestigious honor, the 2004 National Achievement Citation award, at the 89th Catholic
8 Health Assembly; and

9 WHEREAS, since April 12, 2000, St. Mary's Community Center has been providing
10 essential health services, education and job training, and meeting basic needs within
11 Savannah's Cuyler-Brownsville neighborhood as well as bringing other collaborating
12 services and programs into the community and making them accessible to its residents; and

13 WHEREAS, St. Mary's employees and volunteers have consistently displayed great energy
14 and compassion and, with the support of St. Joseph's/Candler, have revitalized this
15 neighborhood and changed countless lives through their message of hope and
16 encouragement; and

17 WHEREAS, St. Joseph's/Candler Hospital and St. Mary's Community Center are
18 organizations exemplary of the best qualities of citizenship and community service and merit
19 the highest commendation; and

20 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia is honored and proud to have such fine facilities serving
21 its Savannah community.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
2 join in recognizing and commending St. Joseph's/Candler Health System and St. Mary's
3 Community Center for their devotion and service to the Savannah community and
4 congratulate them on receiving the Catholic Health Association's 2004 National Achievement
5 Citation.

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
7 to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to Mr. Paul Hinchey, President and CEO, St.
8 Joseph's/Candler, and Sister Pat Baber, RSM, Director, St. Mary's Community Center.