

## Senate Resolution 760

By: Senators Bulloch of the 11th and Hudgens of the 47th

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending and recognizing Georgia veterinarians; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Georgia veterinarians use their scientific knowledge and skills for the benefit  
3 of society through the protection of animal health, the relief of animal suffering, the  
4 conservation of livestock resources, the promotion of public health, and the advancement of  
5 medical knowledge; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Georgia veterinarians protect the health and welfare of animals in this state that  
7 provide companionship, food, and fiber; and
- 8 WHEREAS, veterinarians are an important link in Georgia's public health system and in  
9 agriculture and food defense; and
- 10 WHEREAS, veterinarians own and operate small businesses in communities both large and  
11 small throughout Georgia; and
- 12 WHEREAS, the Georgia Veterinary Medical Association has been the voice of organized  
13 veterinary medicine for more than 100 years; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Honorable Sonny Perdue, the Governor of this great state, is a veterinarian.
- 15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
16 commend Georgia veterinarians and the Georgia Veterinary Medical Association for their  
17 contributions to improve the health and welfare of Georgia's companion animals, livestock  
18 herds, and poultry flocks.
- 19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following distinguished leaders in veterinary  
20 medicine are recognized by the Senate: Dr. Karen Wylie, Georgia Veterinary Medical  
21 Association president; Dr. Ed Mahaffey, Georgia Veterinary Medical Association,

1 Legislative Action Committee chairperson; Dr. Becky Malphus, Georgia State Board of  
2 Veterinary Medicine chairperson; Dr. Sheila Allen, University of Georgia College of  
3 Veterinary Medicine dean; Dr. Carter Black, Georgia State Veterinarian; Dr. Vince Obsitnik,  
4 "Veterinarians' Day at the Capitol" coordinator; and Dr. Jim McClearen, Georgia  
5 Veterinarian Association president-elect.

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
7 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to each of the above-named persons.