Senate Resolution 1006

By: Senators Brown of the 26th, Reed of the 35th, Orrock of the 36th, Butler of the 55th, Adelman of the 42nd and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to provide that the right of an individual

2 to make medical decisions shall not be infringed; to provide for submission of this 3 amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

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## BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

## **SECTION 1.** 5 6 Article I, Section I of the Constitution is amended by renumbering Paragraph XXIX as

7 Paragraph XXX and inserting a new Paragraph XXIX to read as follows:

8 "Paragraph XXIX. Noninterference in medical decisions. Autonomy and self-direction

9 are fundamental attributes of an individual's inalienable rights of life, liberty, and the pursuit

10 of happiness. To protect these fundamental rights, the government shall not infringe on an

11 individual's right to make medical decisions."

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## **SECTION 2.**

13 The above proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be published and submitted as 14 provided in Article X, Section I, Paragraph II of the Constitution. The ballot submitting the 15 above proposed amendment shall have written or printed thereon the following:

16 "() YES Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to provide that the right

of an individual to make medical decisions shall not be infringed?" 17 () NO

18 All persons desiring to vote in favor of ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "Yes."

19 All persons desiring to vote against ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "No." If

such amendment shall be ratified as provided in said Paragraph of the Constitution, it shall 20

21 become a part of the Constitution of this state.

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