

Senate Resolution 1456

By: Senators Fort of the 39th, Tate of the 38th, Orrock of the 36th, James of the 35th, Jones of the 10th and others

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Dr. Gary C. Richter; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Dr. Gary C. Richter has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for  
3 his leadership in the field of medicine, his compassionate treatment of his patients, and his  
4 deep concern for the well-being of others; and

5 WHEREAS, Dr. Richter earned a bachelor's degree from Emory University with Phi Beta  
6 Kappa honors, received his medical degree from the University of Pennsylvania, and served  
7 as a chief resident at Crawford Long Hospital in Atlanta; and

8 WHEREAS, board-certified in internal medicine and gastroenterology, Dr. Richter diligently  
9 cares for patients at Consultative Gastroenterology in Atlanta; and

10 WHEREAS, he has been published in the *Practical Gastroenterology* journal,  
11 *Gastroenterology* magazine, the *American Journal of Roentgenology*, the *New York State*  
12 *Journal of Medicine*, and the *Management of the Surgical Patient*; and

13 WHEREAS, in 2009, Dr. Richter was inducted as the Medical Association of Georgia's first  
14 black president during its 155th House of Delegates meeting; and

15 WHEREAS, Dr. Richter has a distinguished service history with a number of medical  
16 societies, including the Medical Association of Georgia, the Georgia State Medical  
17 Association, the National Medical Association, and the Medical Association of Atlanta; and

18 WHEREAS, he has been an effective advocate for legislation that benefits patients and  
19 physicians in Georgia while holding a number of leadership positions with the Medical  
20 Association of Georgia; and

21 WHEREAS, Dr. Richter has tirelessly and enthusiastically devoted himself to the medical  
22 community and the fight for patient and physician rights and has taken an active role in  
23 promoting patient-centered health care policies at the state and federal levels; and

24 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of  
25 this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
27 commend Dr. Gary C. Richter on his incredible career in the medical field and recognize his  
28 commitment to serving the people of the State of Georgia.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
30 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Dr. Gary C. Richter.