

Senate Resolution 985

By: Senators Butler of the 55th and Powell of the 23rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the 2008 Child Fatality Review Committee of the Year from
2 Richmond County; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Richmond County was recognized as having the 2008 Child Fatality Review
4 Committee of the Year; and

5 WHEREAS, the Child Fatality Review Committee diligently set about its directives of
6 meeting every month to review cases, make recommendations to the Georgia Child Fatality
7 Review Panel, and initiate several prevention activities to reduce child deaths and injuries;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, the committee received outstanding community support for the state's safe sleep
10 initiative, conducted a thorough review of case files and submitted reports of their findings
11 to the Georgia Child Fatality Review Panel, and initiated their own campaign to educate the
12 community on safe sleep habits for all infants through projects which included parenting
13 workshops, story time on good sleep habits, and newsletters; and

14 WHEREAS, the committee used their own funds for the materials and resources of their safe
15 sleep project, which has resulted in a reduction of sleep-related infant deaths in Richmond
16 County; and

17 WHEREAS, this committee went above and beyond the call of duty by creating a new
18 Asthma Coalition, which created scene investigation cards for coroners and law enforcement
19 to distribute to educate families involved in an asthma-related incident and sends information
20 to the school of any child seen in the emergency room for asthma-related complications in
21 an attempt to ensure follow up of treatment plans; and

22 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper for this body to recognize with particularity
23 the outstanding accomplishments of this extraordinary committee.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
25 join together to recognize the Child Fatality Review Committee of the Year for 2008 from
26 Richmond County and commend its members for their outstanding service to their
27 community and this state.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
29 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Richmond County Child Fatality
30 Review Committee.