

Senate Resolution 83

By: Senator Unterman of the 45th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Five Points of Life Foundation, LifeCord, and LifeSouth
2 Community Blood Centers and recognizing National Blood Donor Month; and for other
3 purposes.

4 WHEREAS, the Five Points of Life Foundation is the only organization in the United States
5 committed to education and awareness of the five ways to share life with others through
6 donations of blood, apheresis, marrow, cord blood, and tissue and organs; and

7 WHEREAS, the Five Points of Life is educating Georgians through its Five Points of Life
8 in the Classroom and Kids Marathon programs, partnering with schools, life-saving donation
9 organizations, and community organizations to engage school children; and

10 WHEREAS, the Five Points of Life Foundation Kids Marathon on April 24, in Gwinnett
11 County, is aiding in the battle against juvenile obesity by encouraging and inspiring children
12 to be active; and

13 WHEREAS, LifeCord, a division of LifeSouth Community Blood Centers, the first public
14 cord blood bank in the Southeast, is partnering with hospitals in Georgia to collect and store
15 umbilical cord blood units to be available for treatment and research; and

16 WHEREAS, LifeCord has been able to supply cord blood for treatment throughout the U.S.
17 and around the world, saving lives; and

18 WHEREAS, LifeSouth Community Blood Centers is one of largest blood providers in the
19 United States, collecting and supplying blood for more than 100 hospitals in Georgia,
20 Alabama, and Florida; and

21 WHEREAS, LifeSouth operates 19 regions that include 30 donor centers, 41 blood mobiles,
22 and 14 indoor facilities, giving LifeSouth the capacity of collecting blood at 90 venues daily;
23 and

24 WHEREAS, LifeSouth partners with Dragon*Con in Atlanta annually to collect almost
25 3,000 units of blood each year which benefit the residents of Georgia; and

26 WHEREAS, January is National Blood Donor Month and LifeSouth is conducting a blood
27 drive at the Georgia capitol to celebrate this act of self-sacrifice on January 29, 2013; and

28 WHEREAS, the dedication of the Five Points of Life Foundation, LifeCord, and LifeSouth
29 Community Blood Centers to improving the lives of Georgians is appropriately recognized.

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
31 commend the Five Points of Life Foundation for continuing to educate Georgians on the five
32 ways to share life with others, LifeCord for partnering with hospitals to preserve life-giving
33 cord blood, and LifeSouth Community Blood Centers for its commitment to providing
34 Georgians with a safe blood supply that meets the needs of local patients.

35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
36 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Five Points of Life Foundation and
37 LifeSouth Community Blood Centers.