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House Resolution 110

By: Representatives Harbin of the 122<sup>nd</sup>, Sims of the 123<sup>rd</sup>, Howard of the 124<sup>th</sup>, Murphy of the 127<sup>th</sup>, Frazier of the 126<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing the Medical College of Georgia at Georgia Regents University's 185th
- 2 anniversary and inviting students to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for
- 3 other purposes.
- 4 WHEREAS, the Medical College of Georgia was chartered by the State of Georgia on
- 5 December 20, 1828, through the efforts of Dr. Milton Antony to become the first medical
- 6 school in the State of Georgia, the 13th oldest in the U.S., and third oldest in the Southeast;
- 7 and
- 8 WHEREAS, the first dean of the Medical College of Georgia was Dr. Lewis DeSaussure
- 9 Ford and seven students were enrolled in the first class; today the college educates and trains
- 10 one in five physicians in the State of Georgia; and
- 11 WHEREAS, the Medical College of Georgia, the state's only public medical school, is
- 12 dedicated to innovative medical education, cutting edge research, and quality patient care;
- 13 and
- 14 WHEREAS, there are 9,987 alumni of the Medical College of Georgia practicing in Georgia
- and throughout the United States; and
- 16 WHEREAS, the Medical College of Georgia continues to expand to meet the growing need
- 17 for physicians in Georgia by increasing the number of medical students with campuses in
- 18 Athens, Savannah/Brunswick, Albany, and soon in Rome; and
- 19 WHEREAS, the Medical College of Georgia offers clinical education training for medical
- 20 students in approximately 135 sites across the state, providing medical students experience
- 21 in the full spectrum of medicine; and

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22 WHEREAS, this remarkable institution continues to build upon its original mission to

- provide physicians, biomedical scientists, and health care leaders for the future; and
- 24 WHEREAS, this outstanding medical school has nearly 706 full- and part-time faculty; more
- 25 than 1,500 clinical and adjunct faculty; 884 students, 95 percent of whom are Georgia
- 26 residents; 454 residents in 42 medical and surgical programs; and about nearly 780 full- and
- 27 part-time staff; and
- 28 WHEREAS, the Medical College of Georgia serves as an economic engine with more than
- 29 \$90 million in total grants and contracts; and
- 30 WHEREAS, under the leadership of Georgia Regents University President Ricardo Azziz
- 31 and Medical College of Georgia Dean Peter F. Buckley, the Medical College of Georgia
- 32 serves as a strong advocate for the health of Georgians.
- 33 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 34 the members of this body recognize and commend the Medical College of Georgia at
- 35 Georgia Regents University and its faculty, students, staff, residents, alumni, and friends for
- 36 their many years of dedicated service to the health needs of Georgia citizens and invite
- 37 students to be recognized at a date and time designated by the Speaker of the House of
- 38 Representatives.
- 39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 40 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Medical College of
- 41 Georgia at Georgia Regents University.