

House Resolution 296

By: Representatives Stephens of the 164th, Broadrick of the 4th, Parrish of the 158th, and Harden of the 148th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing February 14, 2013, as Pharmacy Day at the state capitol and commending the
2 Georgia Pharmacy Association and its members for 138 years of service to the patients of
3 Georgia; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, on Thursday, February 14, 2013, the Georgia Pharmacy Association will be
5 hosting its annual Pharmacy Legislative Day at the capitol; and

6 WHEREAS, many representatives of the profession of pharmacy will be at the state capitol
7 to meet with legislators; and

8 WHEREAS, there are currently almost 14,000 licensed pharmacists in the State of Georgia;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, pharmacy is practiced in a wide range of settings: community pharmacies,
11 hospitals, nursing homes, academia, the pharmaceutical industry, managed care, and
12 government; and

13 WHEREAS, pharmacists are the most knowledgeable health care professionals about
14 medications and their uses; and

15 WHEREAS, choosing a pharmacist is as important as choosing a physician because
16 medications today have great power to heal and improve quality of life, but they can also do
17 serious harm if taken incorrectly; and

18 WHEREAS, medication counseling is one of the most important roles of a pharmacist; and

19 WHEREAS, the pharmacists of Georgia have consistently provided outstanding care to their
20 patients and diligently strive to reduce the incidence of medication noncompliance or misuse;
21 and

22 WHEREAS, the Georgia Pharmacy Association was founded 138 years ago and is the
23 professional association representing pharmacists of all practice settings.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
25 the members of this body commend the Georgia Pharmacy Association and its members for
26 138 years of service to the patients of Georgia and recognize Thursday, February 14, 2013,
27 as Pharmacy Day at the state capitol.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
29 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Georgia Pharmacy
30 Association for distribution among its members.