

Senate Resolution 621

By: Senator Tippins of the 37th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Dr. William Harry Hill, Jr.; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Dr. William Harry Hill, Jr., was born in Atlanta, Georgia, on November 7,
3 1917, and was raised by his mother on a farm straddling Campbell and Coweta Counties; and

4 WHEREAS, he graduated from the University of Georgia in 1934 and the Medical College
5 of Georgia in 1942; and

6 WHEREAS, Dr. Hill joined the United States Army in 1942 and served in the Medical Corps
7 attached to the infantry in which he participated in two amphibious invasions in New Guinea
8 and one invasion in the Philippines; in this role, he served as a surgeon in a mobile field
9 hospital which he carried in a 70-pound pack on his back, and he saved many lives and gave
10 comfort in death to those who could not be saved; and

11 WHEREAS, he completed his residency in surgery in 1947 and practiced surgery from 1947
12 until 1988 in Atlanta; and

13 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to Harriet Hargrove, and they split their
14 residency between Buckhead and West Cobb, buying a farm in 1949 that they named
15 Hillgrove, where Dr. Hill kept Tennessee Walking Horses; and

16 WHEREAS, he taught Adult Sunday School classes at McEachern Methodist Church for 34
17 years; he has also taught at Peachtree Road Methodist Church for more than 20 years, and
18 he has been a mentor and Christian example to hundreds of people in their church fellowship;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, upon deciding to retire from operating Hillgrove as an active farm, Dr. Hill
21 graciously agreed to sell 132 acres to the Cobb County School District, which is now the
22 campuses of Hillgrove High School and Lovinggood Middle School; and

23 WHEREAS, Dr. Hill has been a trustee of Young Harris College since 1976; he is one of two
24 lifetime board members and has been a generous benefactor and supporter of both Young
25 Harris and Hillgrove High School; and

26 WHEREAS, he has enjoyed showing Tennessee Walking Horses and has won the 70 and
27 Over Senior Division in the national competition in Shelbyville, Tennessee, ten times, most
28 recently in 2013; and

29 WHEREAS, Dr. Hill has led an inspiring and exemplary life while always maintaining the
30 demeanor of a true southern gentleman and has served his fellow man by a life well lived,
31 always with his beloved wife, Harriet, beside him.

32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
33 commend Dr. William Harry Hill, Jr., for his contributions to the Cobb County community.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
35 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Dr. William Harry
36 Hill, Jr.