

Senate Resolution 721

By: Senator Unterman of the 45th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Georgia State University's Legislative Health Policy
2 Certificate Program and Advanced Health Policy Institute and its instructors; and for other
3 purposes.

4 WHEREAS, the Georgia Health Policy Center at Andrew Young School of Policy Studies
5 at Georgia State University has developed an educational initiative to inform members of the
6 health community about pressing health related issues; and

7 WHEREAS, with funding from the Robert W. Woodruff Foundation, the Legislative Health
8 Policy Certificate Program is a four-part course where legislators and their staff are
9 instructed on the areas of health financing, coverage, access to care, and the impact poor
10 health has upon this state; and

11 WHEREAS, more than 40 state elected officials and their staff have attended at least one
12 educational session, with six representatives, two senators, and two staff members
13 completing at least three Legislative Health Policy Certificate sessions to earn certification;
14 and

15 WHEREAS, in 2015, Georgia State University conducted the Advanced Health Policy
16 Institute to expand the opportunities for learning, and six representatives, one senator, and
17 four staff members attended both sessions of the advanced program to receive
18 commendation; and

19 WHEREAS, the Georgia Health Policy Center commends the senators, representatives, and
20 staffers who dedicated their time and energy to the bipartisan learning of vital health issues;
21 and

22 WHEREAS, the Legislative Health Policy Certificate Program and the Advanced Health
23 Policy Institute at Georgia State University provide elected officials and their staff with the

24 opportunity to make informed decisions on health policy and legislation for the State of
25 Georgia, and the program and institute are worthy of recognition; and

26 WHEREAS, senators receiving the certificates for the Legislative Health Policy Certificate
27 Program are Senator Greg Kirk and Senator Elena Parent; and

28 WHEREAS, the senator and staff member receiving commendation for attending two out of
29 two sessions of the Advanced Health Policy Institute are Senator Elena Parent and Ms.
30 Stephanie Tanner.

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
32 recognize and commend Georgia State University's Legislative Health Policy Certificate
33 Program and Advanced Health Policy Institute and its instructors for providing high quality
34 education to the leaders of this state.

35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
36 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Georgia State
37 University's Andrew Young School of Policy Studies.