

Senate Resolution 1030

By: Senator Hufstetler of the 52nd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing the Georgia Academy of Anesthesiologist Assistants; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, anesthesiologist assistants work in the physician-led Anesthesia Care Team to
3 deliver high level peri-operative care to patients; and
- 4 WHEREAS, in Georgia, one anesthesiologist can medically direct up to four certified
5 registered nurse anesthetists and/or anesthesiologist assistants at a time; and
- 6 WHEREAS, this is a cost-effective mode of anesthesia delivery and in clinical studies has
7 been shown to be the safest mode of providing anesthesia care to patients; and
- 8 WHEREAS, there are approximately 900 anesthesiologist assistants currently licensed in
9 Georgia, with ten anesthesia programs across the county, including two in this state; and
- 10 WHEREAS, anesthesiologist assistants work anywhere anesthesia services are needed,
11 including large hospitals, small town hospitals, endoscopy suites, and MRI suites; and
- 12 WHEREAS, they provide many levels of anesthesia care, including general, neuraxial,
13 sedation, and pain management; and
- 14 WHEREAS, there are currently two universities in the State of Georgia where
15 anesthesiologist assistants are trained, Emory University School of Medicine and South
16 University in Savannah; and
- 17 WHEREAS, anesthesiologist assistants provide quality proven anesthesia while helping to
18 keep medical services affordable and efficient.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
20 recognize the Georgia Academy of Anesthesiologist Assistants for their dedication to the
21 health and well-being of the citizens of the State of Georgia.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
23 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the Georgia
24 Academy of Anesthesiologist Assistants.