

## Senate Resolution 717

By: Senators Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Kirk of the 13th, Millar of the 40th, Albers of the 56th and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the Medical Association of Georgia Medical Reserve Corps and commending  
2 it for its 2017 emergency disaster response efforts in the State of Georgia; and for other  
3 purposes.

4 WHEREAS, the Medical Association of Georgia Medical Reserve Corps (MAG MRC) is  
5 the nation's first state-wide medical society and physician-led medical reserve corps that was  
6 approved by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, the Medical  
7 Association of Georgia, and the Georgia Department of Public Health; and

8 WHEREAS, the MAG MRC is activated under the direction of the Georgia Department of  
9 Public Health and works in partnership with other county based medical reserve corps in the  
10 state; and

11 WHEREAS, the organization trains physicians and others to respond to declared emergencies  
12 in Georgia; and

13 WHEREAS, the MAG MRC is capable of setting up mobile hospitals that can deliver  
14 medical care during declared emergencies; and

15 WHEREAS, the group augments the State Disaster Response Plan by supporting first  
16 responders and the local medical community during declared emergencies; and

17 WHEREAS, the MAG MRC can be called upon under extreme circumstances to perform  
18 some of the functions that would otherwise be performed by full-time emergency medical  
19 response personnel in the state; and

20 WHEREAS, the organization was prepared to respond to every major disaster that affected  
21 Georgia in 2017; and

22 WHEREAS, the MAG MRC provided physicians, other health care professionals, and  
23 administrative personnel to respond to Hurricanes Irma, Jose, and Maria in 2017.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
25 recognize the Medical Association of Georgia Medical Reserve Corps and commend its 2017  
26 emergency disaster response efforts in the State of Georgia.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
28 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to members of the  
29 Medical Association of Georgia Medical Reserve Corps.