

Senate Resolution 16

By: Senators Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Watson of the 1st, Albers of the 56th, Robertson of the 29th, Hufstetler of the 52nd and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Georgia's trauma professionals, the Georgia Trauma Commission, and the
2 Georgia Trauma Foundation and recognizing January 28, 2025, as Trauma Awareness Day
3 at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, trauma is the leading cause of death in the United States for those under the age
5 of 45 and the fourth leading cause of death for all ages; and

6 WHEREAS, physical trauma, including injuries from accidents, violence, and natural
7 disasters, affects millions of individuals each year, leading to significant physical, emotional,
8 and financial burdens; and

9 WHEREAS, the recognition and awareness of physical trauma are essential for improving
10 prevention, care, and recovery efforts, and both high-quality trauma care facilities and trained
11 medical personnel are crucial for providing immediate and effective treatment to trauma
12 victims; and

13 WHEREAS, prevention and safety measures such as road safety campaigns, workplace
14 safety regulations, and violence prevention programs play a vital role in reducing the
15 incidence of physical trauma; and

16 WHEREAS, rehabilitation services, including physical therapy and occupational therapy, are
17 essential for the long-term recovery and well-being of trauma survivors; and

18 WHEREAS, public education and awareness campaigns are necessary to inform the
19 community about the causes and consequences of physical trauma and the available
20 resources for support and recovery; and

21 WHEREAS, legislative support is needed to ensure adequate funding for trauma centers,
22 research into trauma treatment, and policies that enhance public safety; and

23 WHEREAS, community organizations and volunteers play a significant role in supporting
24 trauma survivors and promoting safety and prevention efforts.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
26 commend Georgia's trauma professionals, the Georgia Trauma Commission, and the Georgia
27 Trauma Foundation as well as recognize January 28, 2025, as Trauma Awareness Day at the
28 state capitol to raise awareness about physical trauma, promote prevention and safety
29 measures, support trauma care and rehabilitation services, and honor the efforts of medical
30 professionals, community organizations, and volunteers in addressing physical trauma.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
32 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the public and the
33 press.