

House Resolution 628

By: Representatives Cannon of the 172nd and Taylor of the 173rd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending PCOM Georgia and PCOM South Georgia; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, PCOM began educating and training healthcare professionals in Georgia 20
3 years ago, exemplifying Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine's dedication to
4 addressing critical healthcare needs across the state; and
- 5 WHEREAS, PCOM Georgia was established in Suwanee in 2005 and celebrates its 20th
6 anniversary this year, while PCOM South Georgia opened in Moultrie in 2019 and marks its
7 fifth anniversary this year; and
- 8 WHEREAS, PCOM is now the second-largest medical school in Georgia, enrolling a total
9 of 1,226 osteopathic medical students; and
- 10 WHEREAS, PCOM Georgia enrolls 972 students at its Suwanee campus, and PCOM South
11 Georgia enrolls 254 students; and
- 12 WHEREAS, since their beginnings, PCOM Georgia and PCOM South Georgia have trained
13 more than 3,100 highly competent, caring physicians, health practitioners, and behavioral

14 scientists who practice a whole-person approach to care—treating people, not just symptoms;
15 and

16 WHEREAS, PCOM students gain hands-on clinical experience in communities across
17 Georgia, transforming the state into a dynamic learning environment and expanding access
18 to care; and

19 WHEREAS, 1,876 PCOM alumni practice in Georgia, playing a vital role in delivering
20 primary and specialty care, particularly in the state's rural and other underserved
21 communities; and

22 WHEREAS, PCOM Georgia and PCOM South Georgia have achieved a 100 percent
23 postgraduate placement rate for 2023 and 2024, with graduates securing residency positions
24 at hospitals, medical centers, and healthcare institutions across the state; and

25 WHEREAS, these placements reinforce the institution's commitment to expanding medical
26 education, strengthening the healthcare workforce, and addressing the needs of communities
27 throughout Georgia.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
29 the members of this body commend PCOM Georgia and PCOM South Georgia on their
30 anniversaries and historic accomplishments as well as extend the sincerest gratitude for their
31 dedicated service in addressing critical healthcare needs across Georgia.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
33 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to PCOM
34 Georgia and PCOM South Georgia.