

Senate Resolution 538

By: Senators Dixon of the 45th, Goodman of the 8th and Watson of the 11th

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 SENATE that the members of this body
29 commend PCOM Georgia and PCOM South Georgia on their anniversaries and historic
30 accomplishments as well as extend the sincerest gratitude for their dedicated service in
31 addressing critical healthcare needs across Georgia.

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