

## Senate Resolution 609

By: Senators Hufstetler of the 52nd, Watson of the 1st, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, James of the 28th and Orrock of the 36th

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing January 25-31, 2026, as Physician Anesthesiologists Week in Georgia at the  
2 state capitol; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, physician anesthesiologists are responsible for patient safety before, during, and  
4 after surgery, as well as in pain medicine with the expert ability to lead and navigate all vital  
5 moments of care; and

6 WHEREAS, with 12 to 14 years of education, including medical school, and 12,000 to  
7 16,000 hours of training, physician anesthesiologists possess the necessary knowledge to  
8 understand and treat the entire human body; and

9 WHEREAS, physician anesthesiologists are made for this moment, playing a critical role in  
10 keeping patients safe in this state and community, whether managing a crisis during surgery,  
11 providing pain management during labor, or treating patients with chronic pain; and

12 WHEREAS, the Anesthesia Care Team model, led by physician anesthesiologists, is widely  
13 recognized as the gold standard of care used in all the nation's top hospitals to protect  
14 patients; and

15 WHEREAS, physician anesthesiologists are recognized leaders who are committed to safe  
16 and high-quality patient care, educating patients on anesthesia safety and reducing risks of  
17 complications; and

18 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the dedicated work of these healthcare  
19 providers be appropriately recognized.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
21 recognize January 25-31, 2026, as Physician Anesthesiologists Week in Georgia and  
22 commend all physician anesthesiologists for their dedication to the health and well-being of  
23 the citizens of the State of Georgia.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
25 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the Georgia Society  
26 of Anesthesiologists, the public, and the press.