Senate Resolution 223

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

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the emergency medical services professionals of Georgia and recognizing

2 March 2, 2023, as Emergency Medical Services Recognition Day at the state capitol; and for

3 other purposes.

WHEREAS, Georgia's emergency medical services (EMS) system is celebrating its 49th year
of service; and

6 WHEREAS, the emergency medical services professionals of Georgia respond to almost one
7 million calls for assistance annually, risking their lives on a daily basis to go to the aid of
8 those in need; and

9 WHEREAS, in the State of Georgia, there are more than 26,000 licensed emergency medical
10 services personnel who provide the essential life-saving services associated with
11 out-of-hospital emergency medical care; and

WHEREAS, the goals and services of each of these individuals include illness and injury prevention; trauma system development; public information and education; prompt, efficient, and effective delivery of pre-hospital emergency medical care; transportation to the most 15 appropriate receiving facility; and other activities related to the health and well-being of the

16 citizens of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, EMS personnel provide access to quality pre-hospital emergency care that
dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of persons stricken with sudden illness
or injury.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
commend the emergency medical services professionals of Georgia for their outstanding and
courageous service to this state and recognize March 2, 2023, as Emergency Medical
Services Recognition Day at the state capitol.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to Chad Black,
Chairman of the Georgia Emergency Medical Services Association, and Michael Johnson,
Director of the Georgia Office of Emergency Medical Services and Trauma of the
Department of Public Health.