

Senate Resolution 333

By: Senators Harper of the 7th, Albers of the 56th, Shafer of the 48th, Gooch of the 51st, Mullis of the 53rd and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the emergency medical services professionals of Georgia and recognizing
2 February 26, 2015, as Emergency Medical Services Day at the capitol; and for other
3 purposes.

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

7 WHEREAS, there are over 16,000 EMS personnel who provide the essential lifesaving
8 services associated with out-of-hospital emergency medical care in the State of Georgia; and

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

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

17 WHEREAS, this year marks the celebration of Georgia's EMS system's 42nd year of service;
18 and

19 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the EMS professionals of Georgia be
20 recognized for their outstanding and courageous service.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
22 commend the emergency medical services professionals of Georgia for their outstanding

23 service to the State of Georgia and recognize February 26, 2015, as Emergency Medical
24 Services Day at the capitol.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
26 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Courtney
27 Terwilliger, Chairman of the Georgia Association of Emergency Medical Services and Keith
28 Wages, Director of the Georgia Office of Emergency Medical Services and Trauma of the
29 Department of Public Health, Division of Emergency Preparedness and Response.