

Senate Resolution 636

By: Senators Thompson of the 14th, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Jones of the 25th, Goodman of the 8th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring Billy Hayes for over 20 years of service in improving healthcare for the residents
2 of the State of Georgia; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Billy Hayes is a graduate of both Jacksonville State University and Kennesaw
4 State University with degrees in accounting and finance and an executive MBA; and

5 WHEREAS, he began his career with the Georgia Baptist Healthcare System and was
6 quickly promoted to administrator of Baptist Hospital Worth County; and

7 WHEREAS, shortly after arriving at Baptist Hospital Worth County, he became responsible
8 for two long-term care facilities and one additional hospital; and

9 WHEREAS, he later joined Northside Hospital-Cherokee and has been influential in adding
10 new service lines to the hospital and tripling the number of physicians on the medical staff;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, Billy Hayes has been involved on several official boards, including the
13 Kennesaw State University Alumni Association, the Kennesaw State University Board of
14 Trustees, the Development Authority of Cherokee County Board, United Community Bank

15 Board of Directors, the Georgia Hospital Association Finance Committee, the Jacksonville
16 State University Nursing Board, and the Georgia Alliance of Community Hospitals; and

17 WHEREAS, he has been recognized for his efforts by numerous organizations and has
18 received honors such as the Kennesaw State University Alumni Association Achievement
19 Award, the Coles College of Business MBA Programs Alumni Award, the Martin Luther
20 King Jr. Unity Award, the Diamond Award in Corporate and Philanthropic Efforts, and the
21 Rotary Club of Canton Lamar Haley Community Service Award; and

22 WHEREAS, Billy Hayes is highly successful as the CEO of Northside Hospital-Cherokee;
23 and

24 WHEREAS, the proud father of four and proud grandfather of five, he has always led with
25 honor and integrity in both his professional and personal life; and

26 WHEREAS, the state of Georgia is incredibly grateful for his efforts to improving healthcare
27 across Georgia; and

28 WHEREAS, his professional accomplishments are indicative of the type of man he is, as he
29 faces each challenge set before him with intelligence and generosity.

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
31 honor Billy Hayes for his astounding efforts and success improving healthcare for the
32 residents of the State of Georgia.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
34 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Billy Hayes.