

## Senate Resolution 350

By: Senators Watson of the 11th, Brass of the 28th, Anderson of the 24th, Goodman of the 8th, Watson of the 1st and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending and congratulating Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine South  
2 Georgia; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine (PCOM), established in  
4 1899, recognized the need to expand the workforce for physicians and allied health care  
5 professionals in Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, PCOM opened a branch campus in Suwanee, Gwinnett County, in 2005 known  
7 as PCOM Georgia; and

8 WHEREAS, PCOM South Georgia was opened in Moultrie, Colquitt County, in 2019 as an  
9 additional location and as the first four-year medical school program established within a  
10 rural community to grow and expand Georgia's physician and health care workforce; and

11 WHEREAS, PCOM Georgia and PCOM South Georgia's medical school students are  
12 primarily citizens of the State of Georgia; and

13 WHEREAS, PCOM Georgia and PCOM South Georgia's vision is that graduates will fill  
14 some of Georgia's most critical needs in core medical specialties to include family medicine,

15 internal medicine, pediatrics, emergency medicine, OB/GYN, general surgery, and  
16 psychiatry; and

17 WHEREAS, PCOM South Georgia will conduct a commencement ceremony for its  
18 inaugural class of Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine graduates on May 25, 2023, which  
19 consists of professionals who will add greatly to the physician workforce needed in Georgia.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
21 commend and congratulate the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine for its  
22 investment in Georgia and Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine South Georgia for  
23 its success in educating physicians for our state.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
25 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Philadelphia  
26 College of Osteopathic Medicine South Georgia.