

Senate Resolution 1201

By: Senators Thomas of the 54th, Unterman of the 45th and Goggans of the 7th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the Together Rx Access Card program and its participating pharmaceutical
2 companies; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, more than 1.38 million Georgians, 20 percent of the state's non-elderly
4 population, do not have health insurance, including 13 percent of the state's children; and

5 WHEREAS, unless they have the resources to pay for staggeringly expensive treatments out
6 of their own pockets, uninsured individuals have limited access to proper health care; and

7 WHEREAS, all Georgians deserve access to the medications they need in order to care for
8 their health; and

9 WHEREAS, in January 2005, the Together Rx Access Card program was launched by ten
10 pharmaceutical companies to help low-income, uninsured individuals and families gain
11 access to prescription medications and products at savings of 25 to 40 percent; and

12 WHEREAS, this free, easy-to-use program is offered by the following pharmaceutical
13 companies: Novartis, GlaxoSmithKline, Abbott Laboratories, AstraZeneca, Bristol-Myers
14 Squibb Company, Johnson & Johnson, Pfizer, sanofi-aventis Group, Takeda, and TAP
15 Pharmaceutical Products, Inc.

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
17 join together to commend the Together Rx Access Card program and its participating
18 pharmaceutical companies for their efforts to help uninsured Georgia residents gain greater
19 access to prescription products.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
2 to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the above-named pharmaceutical
3 companies that participate in the Together Rx Access Card program.