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SMYRNA, GA: Senator Doug Stoner was recently honored by the Georgia Association of Emergency Medical Services (GAEMS), a statewide association representing over 14,000 EMS professionals in Georgia. The Board of Directors of GAEMS, along with other EMS leaders, presented Senator Stoner with the GAEMS Star of Life Legislative Award, which recognizes him as one of a select few honored for the 2007 Legislative Session, at a special presentation held at the Market Square Village in Smyrna, GA.

“We are once again proud to have Senator Doug Stoner as a recipient of the GAEMS Star of Life Legislative Award,” said GAEMS Chairman Courtney Terwilliger. “Senator Stoner is among a small group of legislators to have received this award twice, and it is because of his dedication to learn about the EMS community and the challenges that our profession faces. As a sign of appreciation, GAEMS recognized Senator Stone for his understanding and appreciation for the lifesaving contributions of our EMTs and Paramedics,” continued Terwilliger.

Shane Garrison, Vice-President of Puckett EMS and former GAEMS Board Member, said, “Senator Stoner was and continues to be a tremendous advocate for EMS professionals. His dedication to issues that are so vital to EMS professionals is why our group chose to honor him in the best way we knew how.”

“EMTs in Georgia regularly put their lives on the line everyday, and they do so out of dedication, compassion, and a sincere commitment to making a difference in the communities they serve. We are sincerely grateful for Senator Stoner’s support and for also showing those same qualities and attributes,” said Devan Seabaugh, Vice-President of MetroAtlanta Ambulance Service.

The Award is named for the EMS Symbol, which is a blue, six-pointed star with the Rod of Asclepius in the center. Each of the bars of the blue Star of Life

represents the six system functions of emergency medical services: detection, reporting, response, on scene care, care in transit and transfer to definitive care.

The Georgia Association of Emergency Medical Services is a state-wide organization consisting of Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT), Paramedics, EMS Administrators, EMS Educators, EMS Medical Directors and other associates from across the State that are passionate about delivering quality Emergency Medical Services. www.ga-ems.com

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