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Savannah Physician Awarded for Distinguished Service

ATLANTA – Savannah physician, Roland S. Summers, M.D., was awarded the 2007 Joseph P. Bailey Jr., M.D., Physician Distinguished Service Award at the Medical Association of Georgia's 153rd House of Delegates on Oct. 13, 2007 in Savannah. The House of Delegates is the annual meeting of the policy-making body of the association.

First presented in 1960, and renamed in 2003, the Award is presented for distinguished and meritorious service that reflects credit and honor on the Association.

Dr. Summers currently practices Internal Medicine in Savannah. He also is an Associate Clinical Professor of Medicine at the Medical College of Georgia and a medical staff appointee at Memorial Medical Center in Savannah.

Dr. Summers graduated from Northwestern University School of Medicine in 1966, following his completion of an undergraduate degree at Johns Hopkins University. He completed both his internship and residency at Chicago Wesley Memorial Hospital, currently known as Northwestern Memorial Hospital. In addition, he completed a Pulmonary Medicine fellowship in Atlanta in 1974 and served as Lieutenant and Lt. Commander in the Medical Corps of the U.S. Navy from 1968-1970.

Dr. Summers participates in many professional societies. He has been a member of the Georgia Medical Society since 1975 and served as President in 1987. He also has served on the Board of Trustees from 1986-1992 and was Chairman in 1992. He presently serves as Parliamentarian of the Society. In addition, Dr. Summers has been active in the Medical Association of Georgia since 1978. His leadership roles with MAG include: Secretary 1990-1996; President-Elect 1997-1998, President 1998-1999, Executive Committee member 1990-2000; and Board of Directors member 1986-2002. He currently has been an ex-officio member of the Board since 2002. Dr. Summers is also a member of the American College of Physicians, the American Society of Internal Medicine, the American Thoracic Society, the American Medical Association, the American College of Chest Physicians and the American Federation of State Medical Licensure Boards.

Dr. Summers also has served on a variety of community and non-medical organizations including: the Georgia Historical Society; the Rotary Club-Savannah East; Board of Directors with Hospice of Savannah; Georgia Trust for Historic Preservation; and the Johns Hopkins University Admission Committee.

In August 1999, Governor Roy Barnes appointed Dr. Summers to the Composite State Board of Medical Examiners. He has since served as Chairman-Elect in 2004 and Chairman in 2005.

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