

House Resolution 1163

By: Representatives Ehrhart of the 36th and Setzler of the 35th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Kennesaw State University's 50th anniversary and its many
2 contributions to the State of Georgia and higher education and inviting the people of
3 Kennesaw State University to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other
4 purposes.

5 WHEREAS, Kennesaw State University was founded on October 9, 1963, when the Board
6 of Regents of the University System of Georgia chartered Kennesaw Junior College in Cobb
7 County; and

8 WHEREAS, Kennesaw State University is Georgia's third largest university with nearly
9 25,000 students, offering 90 bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degree programs within its
10 nine colleges, and has an economic impact of more than \$926 million in the northwest
11 Georgia corridor; and

12 WHEREAS, Kennesaw State University is ranked number four by *U.S. News & World*
13 *Report* as an Up-and-Coming Regional University in the South, and for 11 consecutive years,
14 it has been ranked among the top schools in the country for its first-year programs; and

15 WHEREAS, Kennesaw State University's international program has received numerous
16 awards, including being recognized by the United States Center for Citizen Diplomacy as one
17 of ten institutions of higher education with exemplary programs designed to bolster
18 Americans' engagement in international activities; and

19 WHEREAS, the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia voted in February,
20 2013, to approve the university's request to add football to its 17 sport NCAA Division I
21 intercollegiate athletics program; the addition of football at Kennesaw State University will
22 increase positive national recognition of the university and strengthen the sense of pride and
23 connection among and between students, alumni, and the community at large.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
25 the members of this body extend our deepest gratitude to and recognize Kennesaw State
26 University for its role in enhancing higher education and being an invaluable partner to the
27 community of Cobb County and extend an invitation to the people of Kennesaw State
28 University to be recognized by the House of Representatives.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
30 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Kennesaw State University.