

## House Resolution 1210

By: Representatives Ralston of the 7<sup>th</sup>, Rhodes of the 120<sup>th</sup>, Wiedower of the 119<sup>th</sup>, Gaines of the 117<sup>th</sup>, and Frye of the 118<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Dr. J. Marshall Shepherd, 2022 SEC Professor of the Year;  
2 and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Dr. J. Marshall Shepherd has long been recognized by the citizens of this state  
4 for the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the  
5 welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, Dr. J. Marshall Shepherd, the Georgia Athletic Association Distinguished  
7 Professor of Geography and Atmospheric Sciences in the Franklin College of Arts and  
8 Sciences at the University of Georgia, has been named the 2022 SEC Professor of the Year;  
9 and

10 WHEREAS, the SEC Professor of the Year award is given annually to one SEC faculty  
11 member whose record of teaching and research places him or her among the elite in higher  
12 education. Winners are selected by the SEC Provosts from among the 14 SEC Faculty  
13 Achievement Award recipients; and

14 WHEREAS, Dr. Shepherd is a pioneer whose research focuses primarily on  
15 hydrometeorological extremes, urban climate, and the intersections of atmospheric sciences  
16 with society, for which he has been honored with numerous accolades; and

17 WHEREAS, this celebrated scholar is a member of the National Academy of Sciences,  
18 National Academy of Engineering, and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the  
19 only person in UGA's history to be elected to all three distinguished associations; and

20 WHEREAS, Dr. Shepherd moderated the White House Champions for Change event, is an  
21 alumnus of the SEC Academic Leadership Development Program, and was honored by  
22 President George W. Bush with the Presidential Early Career Award for pioneering scientific  
23 research in weather and climate science; and

24 WHEREAS, Dr. Shepherd is frequently sought to advise Congress, the White House, and  
25 broader institutions; he has more than 100 peer-reviewed publications and has been  
26 supported with \$30 million in grants and awards; and his TED talks have been viewed nearly  
27 three million times; and

28 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this  
29 remarkable and distinguished scholar be appropriately recognized.

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
31 the members of this body recognize and commend Dr. J. Marshall Shepherd, 2022 SEC  
32 Professor of the Year, and extend the most sincere best wishes for continued health and  
33 happiness.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
35 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Dr.  
36 J. Marshall Shepherd.