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House Resolution 1457

By: Representatives Williams of the 119th, Ralston of the 7th, Ehrhart of the 36th, England of the 116th, O`Neal of the 146th, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Mr. Aaron Murray on his extraordinary accomplishments as a student-athlete
- 2 with the University of Georgia football team and for his public service to the citizens of
- 3 Georgia and inviting him to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other
- 4 purposes.
- 5 WHEREAS, Mr. Aaron Murray enrolled as a student-athlete at the University of Georgia in
- 6 Spring 2009; and
- 7 WHEREAS, he was quarterback of the University of Georgia Bulldogs football team from
- 8 2010 until he suffered an ACL injury on November 23, 2013; and
- 9 WHEREAS, during Mr. Aaron Murray's time as quarterback, he set 27 Georgia records,
- 10 including 12 career, nine season, and six game records, established four Southeastern
- 11 Conference records, and became the first player in Southeastern Conference history to have
- 12 at least 3,000 passing yards in four consecutive seasons; and
- 13 WHEREAS, he was named the 2013 Southeastern Conference Scholar-Athlete of the Year,
- only one of six Bulldogs to earn Academic All-America honors twice, the 13th Bulldog to
- 15 be selected as a recipient of the National Scholar-Athlete Award, and a finalist for the
- 16 Campbell Trophy, which recognizes the nation's top scholar-athlete; and
- 17 WHEREAS, in 2013, Mr. Aaron Murray was awarded the honor by his teammates as being
- 18 voted the Vince Dooley Most Valuable Player and one of the team's permanent captains; and
- 19 WHEREAS, he received his bachelor's degree in Psychology in May, 2012, and started his
- 20 doctorate degree in Industrial-Organizational Psychology at the University of Georgia; and

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21 WHEREAS, Mr. Aaron Murray's scholarly and athletic achievements should not overshadow

- 22 his involvement with the community, which was recognized in 2012 by the Allstate AFCA
- 23 Good Works Team for his community service record; and
- 24 WHEREAS, during Mr. Aaron Murray's time at the University of Georgia, he was highly
- 25 involved with groups within the community such as Extra Special People, Camp Sunshine,
- 26 Special Olympics, American Association of Adapted Sports Programs, Read Across
- 27 America, Healing Place of Athens, Bulldogs Battling Breast Cancer, and many more local
- 28 elementary and middle schools and hospitals in the Athens, Atlanta, and Tampa, Florida
- 29 areas; and
- 30 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the many accomplishments of Mr. Aaron
- 31 Murray be appropriately recognized and commended.
- 32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 33 the members of this body commend Mr. Aaron Murray on his extraordinary
- 34 accomplishments as a student-athlete with the University of Georgia football team and for
- 35 his public service to the citizens of Georgia and invite him to be recognized by the House of
- 36 Representatives at a date and time to be determined by the Speaker of the House.
- 37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Aaron Murray.