

House Resolution 1529

By: Representative Gilliard of the 162<sup>nd</sup>

#### A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Lawrence Hutchins, Jr.; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Lawrence Hutchins, Jr., was born and raised in Savannah, Georgia, and  
3 graduated from A.E. Beach High School in 1959; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Hutchins was a member of the band at A.E. Beach High School, and during  
5 his senior year there he became the captain of the clarinet section; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he was gifted with the honor of being selected to play in the clinic band at Fort  
7 Valley State University and in the All State Band in Macon, Georgia; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Mr. Hutchins went on to receive his collegiate degrees at Savannah State  
9 University and Vandercook College of Music in Chicago, Illinois; and
- 10 WHEREAS, he has taught music and directed bands for 43 years, and has served as the band  
11 director at A.E. Beach High School, Savannah State University, and with the marching band  
12 at the United House of Prayer; and
- 13 WHEREAS, in 2000, Mr. Hutchins and piano instructor Rose O. Smith started and  
14 conducted the Savannah State Men's Glee Club Alumni which flourished for 15 years; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Mr. Hutchins is currently a member of the National Association for Music  
16 Education, the Georgia Music Educators Association, the Frank Callen Boys and Girls Club  
17 Alumni and Friends Association, the Savannah Basketball Association, the Coastal Football  
18 Officials Association, the Thursday Morning Breakfast Club, and a lifetime member of the  
19 Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.; and

20 WHEREAS, he is a citation recipient and the president of the Beach High School Athletic  
21 Hall of Fame, president of the Beach High Alumni Class of 1959, the Beach High Alumni  
22 Association, and a member of the Beach High Band Booster Club; and

23 WHEREAS, a man of great and abiding faith, he is a member of Bethel A.M.E. Church  
24 where he serves on the board of trustees, a member of the Sons of Allen, the Senior Choir,  
25 and the Committee on Black History; and

26 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the achievements of this exemplary  
27 Georgian be appropriately recognized.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
29 the members of this body recognize and commend Lawrence Hutchins, Jr.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
31 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to  
32 Lawrence Hutchins, Jr.