

House Resolution 1889

By: Representatives Rhodes of the 120th and Kidd of the 145th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the Gatewood Schools girls varsity basketball team on winning the state
2 championship; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Gatewood Schools girls varsity basketball team finished the year with an
4 impressive record of 29-1 and, after winning the region championship, entered the state
5 tournament as the number one seed; and

6 WHEREAS, this year's win marks the team's 9th state championship and first title since
7 2012; and

8 WHEREAS, this achievement is the result of dedication, athleticism, teamwork, and
9 excellent coaching by assistant coaches Dominique Huffin and Jordan Camp and head coach
10 Melanie Walls, who was recognized as the Girls' Coach of the Year by the Georgia
11 Independent Schools Association; and

12 WHEREAS, the team defeated Westwood Academy of Camilla, Georgia, at Mercer
13 University's Hawkins Arena by a final score of 44-36, and the game was won in the final
14 minute by a key shot block and stiff defense; and

15 WHEREAS, the members of this remarkable team are Grace Bridges, Sydney Lack, Brenlyn
16 Morris, Emma Hayes, Bailey Turner, Peri Hayes, Maggie Doster, Tanner Fuller, Caroline
17 Griffith, and Lilly Bridges; and

18 WHEREAS, as this remarkable team earned a reputation for excellence by performing with
19 dedication, teamwork, and tenacity over months of training and competition, it is abundantly
20 fitting and proper to call them champions.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
22 the members of this body congratulate the Gatewood Schools girls varsity basketball team

23 on winning the state championship and extend most sincere best wishes for continued
24 success.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
26 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
27 Gatewood Schools girls varsity basketball team.