

## House Resolution 251

By: Representative Jackson of the 128<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Takeo Spikes on being inducted into the Georgia High School  
2 Hall of Fame; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, one of the most disruptive defensive players to ever come out of a Georgia  
4 highschool, Takeo Spikes was the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* and GSWA  
5 All-Classification Player of the Year in 1994, credited with 191 tackles, 33 tackles for losses,  
6 21 sacks, two blocked punts, and three interceptions; and

7 WHEREAS, on the offensive side of the ball, he caught 40 passes for 751 yards and 22  
8 touchdowns along with 31 pancake blocks as a tight end; and

9 WHEREAS, he led Washington County to a 15-0 season and Class 2A championship and  
10 was named a *USA Today* All-American, and in 2007, he was ranked the No.7 Georgia high  
11 school football player of all time by the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*; and

12 WHEREAS, Takeo Spikes was drafted as the No. 13 overall pick in the 1998 NFL Draft by  
13 Cincinnati and became the first rookie to lead the Bengals in tackles since 1990; he is just  
14 one of seven linebackers to start 200 games in the NFL; and

15 WHEREAS, during his distinguished career, he played 15 NFL seasons with five teams,  
16 earning two Pro Bowl nods and a first-team All-Pro selection in 2004; and

17 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this outstanding individual be  
18 appropriately honored.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
20 the members of this body recognize and commend Takeo Spikes on being inducted into the  
21 Georgia High School Hall of Fame and extend best wishes for success in the future.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
23 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Takeo  
24 Spikes.