

House Resolution 909

By: Representatives Burns of the 159th and Hitchens of the 161st

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing Josh Reddick for his outstanding accomplishments in the sport of baseball; and
2 for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, a longtime resident of Effingham County, Georgia, Josh Reddick began his
4 baseball career with the Effingham County Recreation and Parks Department's youth
5 baseball program, and later played for South Effingham High School and briefly at Middle
6 Georgia College; and

7 WHEREAS, Josh was drafted into the 17th round by the Boston Red Sox in 2006, made his
8 MLB debut with the Boston Red Sox in 2009, was traded to the Oakland A's in 2011, and
9 to the Los Angeles Dodgers in July, 2016; and

10 WHEREAS, due to his outstanding athletic ability, dedication, and hard work, Josh signed
11 a four-year contract with the Houston Astros in November, 2016, and went on to win the
12 American League Western Division, the American League Divisional Series against the
13 Boston Red Sox, the American League Championship Series against the New York Yankees,
14 and the Major League Baseball World Series Championship against the Los Angeles
15 Dodgers; and

16 WHEREAS, his other accomplishments include hitting 32 home runs with the Oakland A's,
17 as well as 85 RBIs, 85 runs scored, and 5 triples in 2012; winning the 2012 Rawlings Gold
18 Glove Award; being named the Wilson Team Defensive Player of the Year in 2012 and
19 2013; being selected as the American League Player of the Week on three separate
20 occasions; setting the 2017 Houston Astros record for 101 wins and 61 losses, including
21 tying for best road record of 53-28 with Cleveland; and setting a career high in 2017 with a
22 .314 season average, 13 HRs, and 82 RBIs; and

23 WHEREAS, Josh also created the Josh Reddick Foundation, a Georgia domestic nonprofit
24 corporation, whose mission is to advocate for the youth of Effingham County, and which

25 maintains, refurbishes, and beautifies recreational parks in Effingham County, offers the Josh
26 Reddick Foundation Student Athlete Scholarship to two high school senior athletes pursuing
27 college, and assists various other causes around the county; and

28 WHEREAS, Josh will always be known as a Baseball MLB World Series Champ, and it is
29 abundantly fitting and proper that the achievements of this remarkable young man be
30 appropriately recognized.

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
32 the members of this body recognize Josh Reddick for his outstanding accomplishments in
33 the sport of baseball and extend their most sincere best wishes for continued success.

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 Josh
36 Reddick.