

## House Resolution 97

By: Representatives Burns of the 159<sup>th</sup> and Hitchens of the 161<sup>st</sup>

## 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 youth baseball  
5 program and later played for South Effingham High School and briefly at Middle Georgia  
6 College; and

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

10 WHEREAS, due to his outstanding athletic ability, dedication, and hard work, he signed a  
11 four-year contract with the Houston Astros in November, 2016; and

12 WHEREAS, his other accomplishments include 32 home runs with the Oakland A's, 85  
13 RBIs, 85 runs scored, and 5 triples in 2012; winning the 2012 Rawlings Gold Glove Award;  
14 being named the Wilson Team Defensive Player of the Year in 2012 and 2013; and being  
15 selected the American League Player of the Week on three separate occasions; and

16 WHEREAS, Josh also created the Josh Reddick Foundation, a Georgia domestic nonprofit  
17 corporation, whose mission is to advocate for the youth of Effingham County and which  
18 maintains, refurbishes, and beautifies recreational parks in Effingham County; offers the Josh  
19 Reddick Foundation Student Athlete Scholarship to two high school senior athletes pursuing  
20 college; and assists various other causes around the county; and

21 WHEREAS, it is only abundantly fitting and proper that the achievements of this remarkable  
22 young man be appropriately recognized.

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

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
27 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Josh  
28 Reddick.