

## Senate Resolution 451

By: Senators Anavitarte of the 31st, Kennedy of the 18th, Gooch of the 51st, Robertson of the 29th, Harbin of the 16th and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Congratulating the Rockmart Yellowjackets football team on their outstanding 2023 season;  
2 and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, established in 1923, the Rockmart Yellowjackets football team has maintained  
4 a proud tradition of excellence with equal emphases on character and academics; and

5 WHEREAS, the school's glorious history includes winning the 1950 State Championship in  
6 1950 against Valdosta High School, as well as playing for the state title in 2019 against  
7 Heard County; and

8 WHEREAS, this superlative team has completed another remarkable season of football  
9 competition by posting an outstanding record of 12 wins and only 3 losses, including a streak  
10 of 11 straight wins before playing the championship game; and

11 WHEREAS, excellent play, superior teamwork, and extraordinary resilience made this team  
12 a spectacular one to observe throughout the season, and as a finale to its extraordinary 2023  
13 campaign, the team lost in a heart-breaking, three-overtime thriller to Pierce County with a  
14 final score of 48-43 to become the runner-up in State 2A High School Football; and

15 WHEREAS, the phenomenal performance of the team is a clear indication of the outstanding  
16 athletic ability, dedication, hard work, and unity of purpose and spirit of each member of the  
17 team; its superb offensive and defensive talents; and the astute direction of Head Coach Biff  
18 Parson, who has led the Yellowjackets to two state championship games in the previous five  
19 years; and

20 WHEREAS, this highly accomplished team included two players who were selected for the  
21 Georgia Public Broadcasting Sports Blog All-Finals Team: QB Calliyon Thompson and LB  
22 Nate Davis; and

23 WHEREAS, this magnificent team performed with precision during the season and earned  
24 its well-deserved reputation for high standards of athletic achievement, the quality of its play,  
25 and the stiff competition it presented to its opponents.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
27 congratulate the Rockmart Yellowjackets football team on their outstanding 2023 season and  
28 extend best wishes for their continued success.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
30 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the Rockmart  
31 Yellowjackets football team.