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A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Coach Charlie Smith Jr.; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Charlie Smith Jr. exemplifies the selfless dedication that is characteristic of this
3 state's finest coaches; and

WHEREAS, he has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,
talents, and energy to challenge and inspire student-athletes as evidenced dramatically by his
22 year career at Beach High School in Savannah, Georgia, the last 12 years of which he

7 served as head football coach; and

8 WHEREAS, as coach at Beach High School, he won five city championships and was twice

- 9 named Coach of the Year by the *Savannah Morning News* and the Savannah Quarterback
- 10 Club; and

11 WHEREAS, in 2017, Coach Smith was inducted into the Greater Savannah High School Hall

12 of Fame and had earlier been inducted into the Sol C. Johnson High School Athletic Hall of

13 Fame; and

WHEREAS, in the summer of 2019, a group of his students established the Coach Charlie Smith Student-Athlete Excellence Scholarship Endowment at Savannah State University, his alma mater, to encourage and facilitate financial awards to track and field or football team members from either Alfred Ely Beach High School or Sol C. Johnson High School; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of thisextraordinary individual be appropriately recognized.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body

- 21 commend Coach Charlie Smith Jr. on his efficient, effective, unselfish, and dedicated work
- 22 with the student-athletes at Beach High School and extend the most sincere best wishes for
- 23 continued success.
- 24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 25 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Coach Charlie
- 26 Smith Jr.