

House Resolution 1585

By: Representatives Franklin of the 39th, Wiles of the 34th, Ehrhart of the 36th, Hines of the 38th, Wix of the 33rd and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Marc Thomas Stout; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, on March 25, 1997, Mr. Marc Thomas Stout accepted the position of
3 headmaster for a start-up Christian high school, which, at the time of his acceptance, had no
4 name, no students, no facility, only a small amount of money, and a dream of what God's
5 vision for the school could be; and

6 WHEREAS, on March 26, 1997, Dominion Christian High School opened its office and
7 began developing plans and interviewing prospective students and teachers for the opening
8 of the school in September of 1997; and

9 WHEREAS, Dominion Christian High School, staffed by a dedicated, outstanding, and
10 caring faculty, officially opened its doors on September 2, 1997, welcoming its first 40
11 students at Eastwood Baptist Church's facilities in Marietta, Georgia, and offering a full
12 range of academic, fine arts, and athletic opportunities; and

13 WHEREAS, through prayer and hard work, the school continued to grow and prosper and,
14 on December 15, 2000, contracted to purchase approximately 40 acres of land at 4607 Burnt
15 Hickory Road in Marietta, Georgia; and

16 WHEREAS, the ground breaking was held February 12, 2001, and Mr. Stout and his team
17 began the daunting task of bringing all of the components together to build a facility where
18 students could excel in learning every subject from a Biblical worldview and be motivated
19 to apply the teachings of the Bible to every area of their lives in an atmosphere of
20 challenging academic excellence; and

21 WHEREAS, without God's direction and without the leadership of Mr. Stout, who accepted
22 Dominion's offer of employment over five other offers from schools that had buildings,
23 students, and financial strength, Dominion Christian High School and its 200 students would

1 not be relocating to its permanent facilities in the Spring of 2002; and

2 WHEREAS, Mr. Stout has faithfully pioneered in God's name Dominion Christian High
3 School to train leaders who will influence the world for Christ; and

4 WHEREAS, he has fervently and without ceasing trusted God to provide the financial needs
5 of Dominion Christian High School and diligently worked to secure the material means with
6 which the school can flourish; and

7 WHEREAS, he serves as an inspiration and model to all who serve under him with his
8 tireless dedication to the cause of Christian education in building the Kingdom of God.

9 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
10 the members of this body commend Marc Thomas Stout for his commitment to excellence
11 in Christian education and for his making Dominion Christian High School an asset to the
12 State of Georgia.

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
14 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Marc Thomas Stout.