

## House Resolution 191

By: Representative Pelote of the 149<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Samuel W. Hicks; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Samuel W. Hicks is well-known in Savannah, Georgia, where he has been a  
3 dedicated community volunteer whose leadership and commitment created a wonderful  
4 recreation program for the youth of his city and influenced the lives of countless citizens; and
- 5 WHEREAS, he began his little league coaching career in 1957 when he organized the Junior  
6 Atmospheres utilizing the practice field behind St. Pius Catholic School, and in 1963, he  
7 moved to the westside near Cann Park and coached football, basketball, and baseball; and
- 8 WHEREAS, minimum support was received from the city, so he and his family contributed  
9 their time and resources to provide team outfits, athletic equipment, and transportation; and
- 10 WHEREAS, he sponsored a banquet for his teams from 1956 to 1982, enlisted the support  
11 of Russell's Trophies and Sporting Goods to provide trophies for outstanding players and  
12 complete uniforms for his teams, and built a wholesome experience for young boys that  
13 shaped their principles and identities and gave them goals and dreams; and
- 14 WHEREAS, the Savannah City Council has officially dedicated the Athletic Field of Cann  
15 Park in honor of Samuel W. Hicks, the coach who took all youth under his wings, and it is  
16 most fitting that this distinguished community leader be commended and praised.
- 17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
18 the members of this body recognize and commend Samuel W. Hicks for his exemplary  
19 community service to the youth of Savannah and convey to him their deepest appreciation.
- 20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
21 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Samuel W. Hicks.