

## House Resolution 1406

By: Representatives Yates of the 85<sup>th</sup>, Post 1, and Lunsford of the 85<sup>th</sup>, Post 2

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Ms. Wyomia Tyus, Olympic gold medalist; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Ms. Wyomia Tyus is the daughter of the late Will Tyus and Marie Holmes Tyus  
3 and was born in Griffin, Spalding County, Georgia, on August 29, 1945; and
- 4 WHEREAS, she was educated in the public school systems of Griffin and Spalding County  
5 and graduated from Fairmont High School in 1963; and
- 6 WHEREAS, she excelled as a student-athlete while in grade school and in high school; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Ms. Tyus attended Tennessee State University and received her Bachelor of  
8 Science degree in 1968; and
- 9 WHEREAS, while steadfastly attending to her academic affairs, she gained worldwide  
10 recognition as the first person to win consecutive gold medals in the 100 meter dash in  
11 consecutive Olympic Games (the 1964 and 1968 Olympics); and
- 12 WHEREAS, Ms. Tyus has won three Olympic gold medals, one Olympic silver medal,  
13 countless AAU medals, collegiate All-American honors, and a Pan American Games gold  
14 medal; and
- 15 WHEREAS, she is a member of the United States Olympic Hall of Fame, the Black Athletes  
16 Hall of Fame, and several other halls of fame; and
- 17 WHEREAS, she has proudly and successfully represented the people of the United States  
18 and the people of her home town of Griffin, Spalding County, Georgia, in countries all over  
19 the world; and

1 WHEREAS, the citizens of her home town have proudly named its most prestigious public  
2 park in her honor, the Wyomia Tyus Olympic Park; and

3 WHEREAS, the administration, faculty, students, and parents of A.Z. Kelsey Middle School  
4 warmly welcome Ms. Wyomia Tyus as their guest of honor at their 2003-2004 Founder's  
5 Day Program on Friday, February 27, 2004.

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
7 the members of this body commend Ms. Wyomia Tyus, Olympic gold medalist, native of  
8 Griffin, Spalding County, and the State of Georgia and express our sincerest appreciation to  
9 her for appearing before A.Z. Kelsey Middle School and its students.

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
11 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Ms. Wyomia Tyus.