

## House Resolution 523

By: Representatives Amerson of the 9<sup>th</sup>, Ralston of the 7<sup>th</sup>, Jenkins of the 8<sup>th</sup>, and Reece of the 27<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the Elliott Family as the First Family of NASCAR in Georgia; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Elliott Family's proud tradition of racing began in Dawsonville under the  
4 tutelage and guiding hand of George Elliott; and

5 WHEREAS, George's young son Bill began to demonstrate at an early age a natural skill and  
6 competitive racing instinct at Dixie Speedway in Woodstock; and

7 WHEREAS, in 1976, at the tender age of 20, Bill Elliott entered his first Winston Cup race  
8 and launched a career that would span decades; and

9 WHEREAS, Awesome Bill from Dawsonville, a modest, unassuming, and unpretentious  
10 man, has become a household name in NASCAR racing and has been selected Most Popular  
11 Driver an unprecedented 16 times, Georgia Professional Athlete of the Year twice, National  
12 Motorsports Driver of the Year 14 times, and in 1998, was inducted in the Georgia Sports  
13 Hall of Fame; and

14 WHEREAS, it is virtually impossible to list all of the honors and awards he has garnered  
15 over his incandescent career, but perhaps his most acclaimed accomplishment is his support,  
16 love, and respect from racing fans.

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
18 the members of this body commend Bill Elliott for his over 30 years of outstanding  
19 contributions to the sport of racing and recognize the Elliott Family as the First Family of  
20 NASCAR in Georgia.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
22 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Bill Elliott.