

## House Resolution 720

By: Representatives Murphy of the 120<sup>th</sup>, Howard of the 121<sup>st</sup>, and Warren of the 122<sup>nd</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Coach Norman Bonner; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, for nearly four decades, Coach Norman Bonner has been providing strong  
3 leadership and unfailing guidance to the Laney High School Boys Basketball team; and
- 4 WHEREAS, over the course of his career, he has earned the respect and admiration of his  
5 colleagues as an outstanding biology teacher and an excellent physical education coach; and
- 6 WHEREAS, his own Laney High School athletic career included such highlights as winning  
7 the 1961 State Football Championship, the first state title in school history, and leading the  
8 defense during his junior year with ten interceptions, a season record that still stands; and
- 9 WHEREAS, earning a scholarship to play basketball at Hampton, he was the first player in  
10 that school's history to score 1,000 points and was named most valuable player during his  
11 junior and senior years; and
- 12 WHEREAS, as a coach, he not only taught his Wildcats strategies for the court, compiling  
13 an amazing career record of 534-350, but also gave them valuable life lessons, and the  
14 triumphs of his students stand as the true legacy of his distinguished career; and
- 15 WHEREAS, he is devoted to his wife, Brenda, and is the proud father of his son, Norman,  
16 Jr., and daughter, Bridget; and
- 17 WHEREAS, the Augusta community and the State of Georgia take great pride in the  
18 innumerable accomplishments and contributions of this remarkable educator and coach.
- 19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
20 the members of this body join to commend Coach Norman Bonner for his outstanding

1 dedication to his students and athletes and extend their sincere best wishes for his continued  
2 health and happiness.

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
4 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Coach Norman Bonner.