

## House Resolution 929

By: Representatives Keen of the 179<sup>th</sup>, Smith of the 168<sup>th</sup>, Mosley of the 178<sup>th</sup>, Lane of the 167<sup>th</sup>, Williams of the 165<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Expressing admiration for the courage of the Davis family and commending the services  
2 provided by Speech, Hearing, and Rehabilitation Enterprises of Coastal Georgia, Inc.; and  
3 for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, in August 2001, one-year-old Cooper Davis, son of Brittany and Tyson Davis,  
5 was seriously injured when he slipped through his high chair. Deprived of oxygen for as  
6 much as ten minutes, he suffered global brain damage requiring subsequent ventilation and  
7 extended hospital critical care; and

8 WHEREAS, the community immediately rallied in support of the Davis family, and a  
9 website was begun to keep supporters constantly aware of Cooper's condition. Two months  
10 later, Cooper returned home to continue rehabilitation, and he receives help from Speech,  
11 Hearing, and Rehabilitation Enterprises of Coastal Georgia, Inc. (SHARE), including speech,  
12 physical, and occupational therapy, and now Cooper is dependent for all mobility and daily  
13 living activities; and

14 WHEREAS, one month after the accident, Cooper's grandmother, Julie Davis, was  
15 diagnosed with Pick's disease, which occurs in middle age and affects mainly the frontal  
16 brain, causing neurotic behavior, and slow changes in personality, emotions, and abilities  
17 such as reasoning and judgment. Julie participates daily in SHARE's program, but with ever  
18 decreasing abilities as the terrible disease takes its toll; and

19 WHEREAS, two years after Cooper's accident, in October 2003, a baby sister, Gracie, was  
20 born with an unknown chromosome variation, previously unrecognized by the medical  
21 community. Once again, friends rallied in support of the young parents of Cooper and  
22 Gracie. Sadly, little Gracie passed away at four months of age after a gallant struggle. Her  
23 parents, Brittany and Tyson, continue to inspire their supporters in the face of these hardships  
24 with very warm and loving Christian hearts; and

1 WHEREAS, now Cooper has another baby sister, Marley, born February 4, 2005, beautiful  
2 and healthy. Cooper is now 4 years old, weights 57 pounds and is responding well to  
3 consistent therapy. Grandmother Julie and young Cooper continue to receive services at  
4 SHARE in a caring and loving environment. These services are provided on a sliding scale  
5 basis according to ability to pay. Though their struggles have been great, this family's faith  
6 has not waived, and they have been an inspiration to all who continue to admire and respect  
7 them.

8 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
9 the members of this body commend the courage of the Davis family and commend the  
10 services provided by Speech, Hearing, and Rehabilitation Enterprises of Coastal Georgia,  
11 Inc.

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
13 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Brittany and Tyson Davis  
14 and to Speech, Hearing, and Rehabilitation Enterprises of Coastal Georgia, Inc.