

Senate Resolution 672

By: Senators Kemp of the 46th, Hudgens of the 47th, Whitehead, Sr. of the 24th, Seabaugh of the 28th and Harp of the 29th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Coach Chris Haack; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Coach Chris Haack is widely recognized throughout the state as the
3 personification of excellence in athletics; and
- 4 WHEREAS, this highly respected coach is the architect of one of the most successful college
5 golf programs in the state; and
- 6 WHEREAS, since being named as the University of Georgia men's golf coach on July 18,
7 1996, he has guided the Bulldogs to the first two National Championships in the school's
8 history, four Southeastern conference crowns, 24 total team victories, and countless team and
9 individual records; and
- 10 WHEREAS, many of his players throughout the years have been honored nationally and by
11 the conference for their efforts on the golf course and in the classroom; and
- 12 WHEREAS, all five of his players in the line-up during the 2004-2005 season – David
13 Denham, Chris Kirk, Kevin Kisner, Richard Scott, and Brendon Todd – earned All-America
14 honors in addition to Denham, Kirk, and Todd being named to the All-SEC teams; Denham
15 and Kisner being named Scholar All-Americans by Cleveland Golf for their efforts in the
16 classroom; and player Butler Melnyk being named to the SEC Good Works Team for his
17 community service efforts; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Coach Haack was chosen as the Eaton/Golf Pride National Coach of the Year
19 as well as the Southeast Regional Coach of the Year; and
- 20 WHEREAS, in his role as a coach he acts an instrument of inspiration and enthusiasm to his
21 players, creates a positive environment by encouraging competitive instincts, and instills the
22 values and positive characteristics of hard work, dedication, and integrity; and

1 WHEREAS, he is a shining example of the important impact that the efforts of individual
2 coaches make on the quality of academic and athletic training received by the young people
3 of this state, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that his superlative accomplishments be
4 recognized appropriately.

5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
6 heartily and gratefully commend Coach Chris Haack as he enters his tenth season for his
7 years of sacrifice, foresight, accomplishment, and contributions on behalf of athletics in
8 Georgia and for the positive influence he has had upon the lives and futures of young people
9 in this state.

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
11 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Coach Chris Haack.