

House Resolution 1631

By: Representatives Benfield of the 85th, Williams of the 89th, Watson of the 91st, Stephenson of the 92nd, Gardner of the 57th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Remembering and honoring the life of Mr. Jonathan Anthony McKee, Jr.; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Towers High School in Decatur has lost one of its most beloved faculty
4 members with the passing of head football coach Jonathan Anthony "Tony" McKee, Jr., on
5 February 11, 2006; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. McKee was born on July 25, 1960, in Greensboro, North Carolina; and

7 WHEREAS, throughout his life, Mr. McKee had a passion for sports and was a wide receiver
8 for the football team at James B. Dudley High School, where he graduated in 1978; and

9 WHEREAS, he attended Virginia Polytech Institute on a football scholarship and was a star
10 athlete, earning numerous awards before graduating with a Bachelor of Science in 1986; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. McKee was drafted by the Dallas Cowboys in 1983, where he played for
12 a short time before signing with the Pittsburgh Maulers of the USFL; and

13 WHEREAS, after the team folded, he worked as a sales representative before beginning his
14 illustrious coaching career, during which he served with great distinction at schools in North
15 Carolina and Virginia before accepting his position as head coach at Towers High School in
16 2005; and

17 WHEREAS, Mr. McKee leaves behind a loving and devoted family, including his wife, Jala
18 McKee; his parents and stepmother, Loretta McKee and Jonathan and Betty McKee; and his
19 brothers and sisters-in-law, Kenneth and Lanette McKee, and William and Terra McKee; and

20 WHEREAS, Mr. McKee will always be remembered with the greatest affection by all who
21 had the privilege to know him for his generosity, kindness, and loving spirit.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
2 the members of this body join in remembering and honoring the life of Mr. Jonathan
3 Anthony McKee, Jr., and extend their most sincere condolences to his family and friends.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
5 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mrs. Jala McKee.